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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1-73

Measures Introduced: Seven bills and six resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1569-1575 and S. Res. 164-169. **Page 50**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1237, to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 to further improve the safety and health of working environments, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105-159) **Page 50**

Measures Passed:

Notification to the President: Senate agreed to S. Res. 164, informing the President of the United States that a quorum of each House is assembled. Subsequently, Senators Lott and Daschle were appointed by the Chair. **Page 1**

Notification to the House of Representatives: Senate agreed to S. Res. 165, informing the House of Representatives that a quorum of the Senate is assembled. **Page 1**

Recognition of Denver Broncos: Senate agreed to S. Res. 166, recognizing the outstanding achievements of the Denver Broncos in winning the Super Bowl XXXII. **Page 71**

Recognition of John Elway: Senate agreed to S. Res. 167, recognizing the outstanding achievement of the Denver Bronco's quarterback, John Elway, in the victory of the Denver Broncos in Super Bowl XXXII. **Page 71**

Four Chaplains Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 169, to designate February 3, 1998, as "Four Chaplains Day". **Page 71**

Congressional Adjournment: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 201, providing for adjournments of the House of Representatives and the Senate. **Page 73**

Nominations—Agreement: A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the nominations of Ann L. Aiken, of Oregon, to be United States District Judge for the District of Oregon, Barry G. Silverman, of Arizona, to be United States Cir-

cuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, and Richard W. Story, of Georgia, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Georgia, on Wednesday, January 28, 1998, with votes to occur thereon. **Page 71**

Appointments: The following appointments were made pursuant to law during the sine die adjournment of the Senate:

To the Congressional Award Board, pursuant to Public Law 96-114, as amended, Martis James Davis, of New York. (Appointed on November 21, 1997)

To the National Bipartisan Commission on the Future of Medicare, pursuant to Public Law 105-33, Senators Gramm and Frist, Ilene Gordon, of Mississippi, and Deborah Steelman, of Virginia. (Appointed on November 25, 1997)

To the Panel to Review Long-Range Air Power, pursuant to Public Law 105-56, J. James Exon, of Nebraska. (Appointed on December 12, 1997)

To the National Council of the Arts, pursuant to Public Law 105-83, Richard J. Durbin of Illinois. (Appointed on December 31, 1997)

To the Social Security Advisory Board, pursuant to Public Law 103-296, Sylvester J. Schieber, of Maryland. (Appointed January 19, 1998)

To the Congressional Award Board, pursuant to Public Law 96-114, Clinton Bristow, Jr., of Mississippi. (Appointed on January 20, 1998)

To the Census Monitoring Board, pursuant to Public Law 105-119, Joe D. Whitley, of Georgia, and Max W. Williams, of Mississippi. (Appointed on January 20, 1998)

To the Congressional Award Board, pursuant to Public Law 96-114, Felix Sanchez, of Washington, D.C. (Appointed on January 26, 1998) **Page 2**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Togo Dennis West, Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

John D. Kelly, of North Dakota, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit.

Marsha L. Berzon, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

Kim McLean Wardlaw, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

Judith M. Barzilay, of New Jersey, to be a Judge of the United States Court of International Trade.

Delissa A. Ridgway, of the District of Columbia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of International Trade.

William P. Dimitrouleas, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.

Robert G. James, of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana, vice John M. Shaw, retired.

James W. Klein, of the District of Columbia, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia.

Stephan P. Mickle, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Florida.

Johnnie B. Rawlinson, of Nevada, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nevada.

Richard W. Roberts, of the District of Columbia, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia.

Gregory Moneta Sleet, of Delaware, to be United States District Judge for the District of Delaware.

Emilio W. Cividanes, of the District of Columbia, to be Associate Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals for the term of fifteen years. **Page 73**

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Quorum Calls: One quorum call was taken today. (Total—1) **Page 1**

Adjournment: Senate convened the Second Session of the One Hundred Fifth Congress at 12 noon, and adjourned at 10:31 p.m., until 10:30 a.m., on Wednesday, January 28, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 73).

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 27 public bills, H.R. 3089–3115; and 10 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 201–204, and H. Res. 335–340 were introduced. **Page 137**

Reports Filed: No reports were filed today.

Notify the President: The House agreed to H. Res. 335, authorizing the Speaker to appoint a committee to notify the President of the assembly of the Congress. Subsequently, the Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representatives Armev and Gephardt to the committee. **Page 75**

Notify the Senate: The House agreed to H. Res. 336, authorizing the Clerk of the House to inform the Senate that a quorum of the House has assembled. **Page 75**

Meeting Hours of the 2nd Session: The House agreed to H. Res. 337, establishing the meeting hours of the House of Representatives during the 2nd Session. **Page 75**

Adjournment of Both Houses: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 201, providing for the adjournment dates of both Houses of Congress during January and February 1998. **Page 75**

Meeting Hour—January 28: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 28. **Page 75**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of January 28. **Page 75**

Holocaust Victims Redress Act: The House passed S. 1564, to provide redress for inadequate restitution of assets seized by the United States Government during World War II which belonged to victims of the Holocaust—clearing the measure for the President. **Page 75**

Condolence Resolution: The House agreed to H. Res. 338, expressing the condolences of the House on the death of the Honorable Sonny Bono, a Representative from the State of California. **Page 81**

Presidential Messages: Read the following messages transmitted to the Clerk pursuant to the Line Item Veto Act (P.L. 104–130):

Agriculture, FDA Appropriations: Message received on November 20, 1997 wherein he cancels various dollar amounts of discretionary budget authority contained in H.R. 2160, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998 (P.L. 105–86)—referred to the Committees on Appropriations and the Budget and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–179); **Page 92**

Interior Appropriations: Message received on November 20, 1997 wherein he cancels various dollar amounts of discretionary budget authority contained in H.R. 2107, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998 (P.L. 105–83)—referred to the Committees on Appropriations and the Budget and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–180); and **Page 92**

Commerce, Justice, State Appropriations: Message received on December 2, 1997 wherein he cancels a dollar amount of discretionary budget authority contained in H.R. 2267, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998 (P.L. 105-119)—referred to the Committees on Appropriations and the Budget and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-181). **Page 92**

Long-Range Air Power: The Chair announced the Minority Leader's appointment of Mr. Walter E. Morrow, Jr. of Massachusetts to the Independent Panel to Evaluate the Adequacy of Current Planning for United States Long-Range Air Power. **Page 93**

Recess: The House recessed at 4:12 p.m. and reconvened at 8:55 p.m. **Page 104**

State of the Union Address: President Clinton delivered his State of the Union address before a joint session of Congress. He was escorted into the House Chamber by a committee comprised of Representatives Arney, Delay, Boehner, Cox of California, Dickey, Hutchinson, Gephardt, Bonior, Fazio of California, Kennelly, Berry, Snyder and Senators Lott, Nickles, Mack, Thurmond, Daschle, Ford, Mikulski, Breaux, Kerry of Massachusetts, Kerrey of Nebraska, Torricelli, Reid, Rockefeller, Dorgan, and Leahy. The President's message was referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered printed as a House Document (H. Doc. 105-178). **Page 104**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on page 74

Referrals: S. 191, to Throttle Criminal Use of Guns; S. 758, Lobbying Disclosure Technical Amendments Act of 1997; and S. 1172, for the relief of Sylvester Flis, were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. S. 1213, Oceans Act of 1997, was referred to the Committees on Resources, Science, and Transportation and Infrastructure. S. 1566, Military Voting Rights Act of 1997, was referred to the Committees on House Oversight, Judiciary, and Veterans Affairs. S. Con. Res. 39, expressing the sense of the Congress that the German Government should expand and simplify its reparations system, provide reparations to Holocaust survivors in Eastern and Central Europe, and set up a fund to help cover the medical expenses of Holocaust survivors, was referred to the Committee on International Relations. **Page 110**

Quorum Calls—Votes: One quorum call (Roll No. 1) developed during the proceedings of the House today and appears on page 74. There were no recorded votes.

Adjournment: Met at 12:00 noon, and, pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 338, adjourned at 10:31 p.m. as a further mark of respect to the memory of the Honorable Sonny Bono.

Committee Meetings

RONALD REAGAN WASHINGTON NATIONAL AIRPORT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Ordered reported amended H.R. 2625, to redesignate Washington National Airport as "Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport."

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Seven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1576-1582 and S. Con. Res. 71. **Page 248**

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaties, transmitted to the Senate today by the President of the United States:

Extradition Treaty with Zimbabwe (Treaty Doc. 105-33); and

Treaty with Latvia on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters. (Treaty Doc. 105-34)

The treaties were considered as having been read the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations, and ordered to be printed. **Page 324**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting a report concerning peaceful uses of nuclear energy; referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM-85). **Page 245**

Transmitting a report concerning peaceful uses of nuclear energy; referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM-86). **Page 245**

Transmitting a report concerning the national emergency with respect to terrorists who threaten to disrupt the Middle East peace process; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM-87). **Page 246**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 67 yeas to 30 nays (Vote No. 1 EX), Ann L. Aiken, of Oregon, to be United States District Judge for the District of Oregon. **Pages 206, 218, 326**

Richard W. Story, of Georgia, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Georgia.

Barry G. Silverman, of Arizona, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit. **Pages 218, 326**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

- 74 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.
- 6 Army nominations in the rank of general.
- 1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—1)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:06 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Thursday, January, 29 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 325).

Committee Meetings

NATIONAL DEFENSE REPORT

Committee on Armed Services: Committee held hearings to examine certain national security requirements of the United States, including the force structure necessary to meet those requirements, receiving testimony from Philip Odeen, Chairman, Richard L. Armitage, Robert M. Kimmitt, Andrew F. Krepinevich, and Gen. Robert W. RisCassi, all Members of the National Defense Panel; and Adm. William A. Owens, USN (Ret.).

Hearings continue tomorrow.

ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

Committee on the Budget: Committee held hearings to examine the current outlook for the United States economy and the budget for fiscal years 1999 through 2008, receiving testimony from June E. O'Neill, Director, Congressional Budget Office.

Committee will meet again tomorrow.

EDUCATION FUNDING REFORM

Committee on the Budget: Committee held hearings to examine certain Federal education spending reform proposals, receiving testimony from Frank T. Brogan, Florida Department of Education, Tallahassee, on behalf of the Education Leaders Council; Madeleine D. Manigold, Texas Education Agency, Austin; Henry Der, California Department of Education, Sacramento; and Cozette

Buckney and Philip J. Hansen, both of Chicago Public Schools, Chicago, Illinois.

Committee recessed subject to call.

IRS REFORM

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings on proposals and recommendations to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service, and a related measure H.R. 2676, receiving testimony from Robert E. Rubin, Secretary of the Treasury; and Charles O. Rossotti, Commissioner, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Richard W. Fisher, of Texas, to be Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador, Donald C. Lubick, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, and L. Paige Marvel, of Maryland, and Michael B. Thornton, of Virginia, each to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

Mr. Fisher was introduced by Senators Hutchison, Lugar, and Graham, and Ms. Marvel was introduced by Senator Sarbanes.

NATIONAL SECURITY

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee concluded open and closed hearings to examine current and projected worldwide threats to United States national security, after receiving testimony from George J. Tenet, Director, Central Intelligence Agency; Robert M. Bryant, Deputy Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; Phyllis E. Oakley, Assistant Secretary of State of Intelligence and Research; and Lt. Gen. Patrick M. Hughes, USA, Director, Defense Intelligence Agency.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 20 public bills, H.R. 3116–3135; 1 private bill, H.R. 3136; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 205–206, and H. Res. 341–343 were introduced.

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Reports Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

Supplemental report on H.R. 10, to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, and other financial service providers (H. Rept. 105–164 Part 4).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Nussle to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 170**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, the Reverend Paul I. Nussle of Sumner, Washington. **Page 170**

Question of Privilege of the House: The Chair ruled that H. Res. 341, relating to a question of the privileges of the House, did constitute a question of privilege of the House and was in order. Subsequently, the House agreed to table the resolution by a ye and nay vote of 214 yeas to 189 nays, Roll No. 2. **Page 175**

Legislative Program: The Chairman of the Rules Committee announced the Legislative Program for the week of February 2. **Page 176**

Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

National Emergency re Middle East Peace Process: Message wherein he transmitted his report concerning terrorists who threaten to disrupt the Middle East peace process—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-182); **Page 194**

Nuclear Energy Agreement with Kazakhstan: Message wherein he transmitted his proposed agreement between the United States and the Republic of Kazakhstan Concerning the Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-183); and **Page 195**

Nuclear Energy Agreement with Swiss Federal Council: Message wherein he transmitted his proposed agreement between the United States and the Swiss Federal Council Concerning the Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-184). **Page 196**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on page 170.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One ye and nay vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appears on page 175. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 1:00 p.m. and pursuant to H. Con. Res. 201 adjourned at 5:25 p.m. until 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 3.

Committee Meetings

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior held an oversight hearing on National Energy Policy. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: Ernest J. Moniz, Under Secretary; Patricia F. Dodley, Assistant Secretary, Fossil Energy; and Dan W. Reicher, Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency

and Renewable Energy; Cecil H. Underwood, Governor, State of West Virginia; and public witnesses.

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education began hearings on Labor, Health and Human Services appropriations for fiscal year 1999. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

NATIONAL TESTING—PROHIBIT SPENDING FEDERAL EDUCATION FUNDS

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Ordered reported amended H.R. 2846, to prohibit spending Federal education funds on national testing without explicit and specific legislation.

WISCONSIN CHIPPEWA'S CASINO APPLICATION DENIAL

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Held a hearing on the Department of the Interior's denial of the Wisconsin Chippewa's casino application. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

DISASTER MITIGATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing on Disaster Mitigation. Testimony was heard from Representatives Skeen, McKeon and Strickland; James L. Witt, Director, FEMA; John H. Zirschky, Acting Assistant Secretary (Civil Works), Department of the Army; and public witnesses.

ARLINGTON CEMETERY BURIAL—WAIVERS GRANTED

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on waivers granted for burial at Arlington Cemetery. Testimony was heard from Richard L. Hembra, Assistant Comptroller General, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, GAO; John C. Metzler, Jr., Superintendent, Arlington National Cemetery, Department of the Army; Togo D. West, Jr., Acting Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs; Capt. Michael Rosencrans, USCG, Director, National Maritime Center, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation; Ambassador Eric J. Boswell, Assistant Secretary, Diplomatic Security, Bureau of Diplomatic Security, Department of State; and public witnesses.

FEDERAL TAX BURDEN REDUCTION PROPOSALS

Committee on Ways and Means: Held a hearing on proposals to reduce the Federal tax burden on the American public. Testimony was heard from Representatives Herger, Weller, McIntosh, Salmon, Riley, McCrery and Cox of California; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue February 4.

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Ten bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1583–1592 and S. Res. 170.

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Measures Passed:

U.S. Institute for Environmental Conflict Resolution: Senate passed H.R. 3042, to amend Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental and Native American Public Policy Act of 1992 to establish the United States Institute for Environmental Conflict Resolution to conduct environmental conflict resolution and training, clearing the measure for the President.

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Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the Landmark Law Treaty (Treaty Doc. No. 105–35). The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and was ordered to be printed.

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Appointments:

National Council on the Arts: The Majority Leader was authorized to appoint two Senators to the National Council on the Arts as amended by Public Law 105–83.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Rebecca T. Bingham, of Kentucky, to be a Member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science for a term expiring July 19, 2001.

Charles H. Dolan, Jr., of Virginia, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy for a term expiring July 1, 2000.

Stuart E. Eizenstat, of Maryland, to be United States Alternate Governor of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development for a term of five years; United States Alternate Governor of the Inter-American Development Bank for a term of five years; United States Alternate Governor of the African Development Bank for a term of five years; United States Alternate Governor of the African Development Fund; United States Alternate Governor of the Asian Development Bank; and United States Alternate Governor of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

Richard W. Fisher, of Texas, to be Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador.

Scott Snyder Fleming, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Legislation and Congressional Affairs, Department of Education.

Martha B. Gould, of Nevada, to be a Member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science for a term expiring July 19, 2002.

Margaret Hornbeck Greene, of Kentucky, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Enrichment Corporation for a term expiring February 24, 2003.

Paul M. Igasaki, of California, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for a term expiring July 1, 2002.

Bill Lann Lee, of California, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

Kevin Emanuel Marchman, of Colorado, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Christine O. C. Miller, of the District of Columbia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

David R. Oliver, of Indiana, to be Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology.

Paul L. Seave, of California, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of California for a term of four years.

Nancy E. Soderberg, of the District of Columbia, to be Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador.

Nancy E. Soderberg, of the District of Columbia, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during her tenure of service as Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations.

Orson Swindle, of Hawaii, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner for the term of seven years from September 26, 1997.

Cherryl T. Thomas, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Railroad Retirement Board for a term expiring August 28, 2002.

Moxelle Willmont Thompson, of New York, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner for the term of seven years from September 26, 1996.

15 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

2 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

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Nominations Withdrawn: Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nominations:

James Hudson Bailey, of Wisconsin, to be Deputy Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, which was sent to the Senate on October 8, 1997.

Ronald Kent Burton, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris K. Udall Scholarship

and Excellence in National Environmental Policy Foundation for a term expiring October 6, 2002, which was sent to the Senate on January 9, 1997.

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 6:20 p.m., until 12 noon, on Monday, February 2, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Assistant Majority Leader in today's Record on page 414.)

Committee Meetings

NATIONAL DEFENSE REPORT

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings to examine certain national security requirements of the United States, including the force structure necessary to meet those requirements, after receiving testimony from James R. Schlesinger, former Secretary of Defense.

NATIONAL SECURITY: NATO

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings to examine national security implications of enlarging NATO and the continued deployment of United States forces in Bosnia, after receiving testimony from Henry Kissinger, former Secretary of State and former National Security Advisor.

FINANCIAL MARKET CIRCUIT BREAKERS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Securities concluded oversight hearings to examine the Department of Treasury's views on "circuit breakers" in United States financial markets, the name commonly given to coordinated trading halts in the equity and equity-derivative markets that are required when large price moves of predetermined magnitude occur, after receiving testimony from John D. Hawke, Jr., Under Secretary of the Treasury for Domestic Finance; Susan M. Phillips, Member, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Arthur Levitt, Chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission; Brooksley Born, Chairperson, Commodity Futures Trading Commission; James L. Cochrane, New York Stock Exchange, Inc., and James F. Duffy, American Stock Exchange, Inc., both of New York, New York; M. Scott Gordon and Jack Sandner, both of the Chicago Mercantile Exchange, and Edward J. Joyce, Chicago Board Options Exchange, all of Chicago, Illinois; and Richard G. Ketchum, National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., Washington, D.C.

ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded hearings to examine the current outlook for the United States econ-

omy and the implications for monetary policy, after receiving testimony from Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

EDUCATION FUNDING REFORM

Committee on the Budget: Committee held hearings to examine the impact of research and technology on elementary and secondary education, receiving testimony from Senator Bingaman; Eleanor Johnson, Assistant Director for Education and Employment Issues, General Accounting Office; Steven H. Goldman, Ball Foundation, Glen Ellyn, Illinois; Robert E. Slavin, Center for Research on the Education of Students Placed at Risk/Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland; Harold Hodgkinson, Institute for Educational Leadership, and Thomas K. Glennan, Jr., RAND, both of Washington, D.C.; Michael Moe, Montgomery Securities, San Francisco, California; and James S. Lanich, Technology For Learning/Los Angeles County Office of Education, Downey, California.

Committee recessed subject to call.

IRS REFORM

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings on proposals and recommendations to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service, including related measures S. 1096 and H.R. 2676, receiving testimony from Representative Portman; Donald C. Alexander, Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld, Sheldon S. Cohen, Morgan, Lewis & Bockius, Fred T. Goldberg, Jr., Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom, and Margaret M. Richardson, Ernst & Young, each a former Commissioner of Internal Revenue, Michael E. Mares, American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and Stefan F. Tucker, Tucker, Flyer & Lewis, on behalf of the American Bar Association, all of Washington, D.C.; Douglas C. Burnette, National Society of Accountants, Alexandria, Virginia; Paul Cherecwich, Jr., Thiokol Corporation, Ogden, Utah, on behalf of the Tax Executives Institute, Inc.; and Bryan E. Gates, Clearwater, Florida, on behalf of the National Association of Enrolled Agents.

Hearings continue on Thursday, February 5.

MEDICARE FRAUD

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations resumed hearings to examine fraud in the Medicare program, focusing on the enrollment process administered by the Health Care Finance Administration, receiving testimony from John M. Frazzini, former Investigator, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations; John E. Hartwig, Deputy Inspector General for Investigations, Cathy E. Colton, Assistant Regional Inspector General for Investigations (Miami, Florida), and Susan A. Frisco, Special Agent (New York City), all of the Office of Inspector General, and H. Donna Dymon, Nurse Consultant (San Francisco, California), and Dewey Price, Team Leader (Miami, Florida), both of Operation Restore Trust, both of the Health Care

Financing Administration, all of the Department of Health and Human Resources; and an incarcerated witness.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will next meet on Tuesday, February 3.

Committee Meetings

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative held a hearing on the House of Representatives and the Office of Compliance. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the House of Representatives: Jay Eagen, Chief Administrator Officer; Frank Derville, Associate Administrator, Office of Finance; Robin H. Carle, Clerk; Jeff Trandahl, Deputy Clerk; Wilson S. Linvingood, Sergeant at Arms; John W. Lainhardt IV, Inspector General; Bob Frey, Deputy Inspector General; and John F. Eisold, M.D., Attending Physician; and the following officials of the Office of Compliance: Glen Nager, Chairman, Board of Directors; and Ricky Silberman, Executive Director.

BRIEFING—WORLD-WIDE THREAT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on National Security met in executive session to hold a briefing on World-Wide Threat. The Subcommittee was briefed by George Tenet, Director, CIA; and Lt. Gen. Patrick M. Hughes, USA, Director, Defense Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense.

TOBACCO SETTLEMENT

Committee on Commerce: Held a hearing on the Tobacco Settlement: Views of Tobacco Industry Executives. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

WISCONSIN CHIPPEWA'S CASINO APPLICATION DENIAL

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Concluded hearings on the Department of the Interior's denial of the Wisconsin Chippewa's casino application. Testimony was heard from Bruce Babbitt, Secretary of the Interior.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution held an oversight hearing on Congress, the Courts and the Constitution. Testimony was heard from Representatives Lewis of Kentucky, Hostettler, Frank of Massachusetts and Campbell; Louis Fisher, Senior Specialist, Separation of Powers, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

QUADRENNIAL DEFENSE REVIEW AND NATIONAL DEFENSE PANEL RECOMMENDATIONS

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Personnel held a hearing on the Quadrennial Defense Review and National Defense Panel Recommendations. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Edward L. Warner, III, Assistant Secretary, Strategy and Threat Reduction; Brig. Gen. James E. Cartwright, USMC, Deputy Director, Force Structure Resource and Assessment Directorate, Joint Chiefs of Staff; Lt. Gen. David K. Heebner, USA, Assistant Vice Chief of Staff, U.S. Army; Brig. Gen. James R. Helmly, USA, Deputy Chief, U.S. Army Reserve; Maj. Gen. William Navas, USA, Director, Army National Guard; Vice Adm. Conrad C. Lautenbacher, Jr., USN, Deputy Chief, Naval Operations, Resources, Warfare Requirements and Assessments; Rear Adm. George Vaughan, USN, Chief, Naval Reserve; Lt. Gen. Martin R. Steele, USMC, Deputy Chief of Staff, Plans, Policy and Operations; Maj. Gen. Thomas L. Wilkerson, USMC, Commander, Marine Forces Reserve; Lt. Gen. Lawrence P. Farrell, Jr., USAF, Deputy Chief of Staff (Plans and Programs); Maj. Gen. Robert A. McIntosh, USAF, Chief, Air Force Reserve; and Brig. Gen. Paul A. Weaver, Jr., USAF, Director, Air National Guard; and the following officials of the National Defense Panel: Ambassador Richard Armitage; Andrew Krepinevich; and Gen. James McCarthy, USAF (ret.).

SAFETY ADVANCEMENT FOR EMPLOYEES ACT—THIRD PARTY CONSULTATION PROVISION

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing on the third party consultation provision in the Safety Advancement for Employees (SAFE) Act. Testimony was heard from Senator Enzi; Representatives Dooley of California and Stenholm; and public witnesses.

HCFA—PREPARING FOR 21ST CENTURY

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Preparing the Health Care Financing Administration for the 21st Century. Testimony was heard from Nancy-Ann Min DeParle, Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; William J. Scanlon, Director, Health Financing and Systems, GAO; and public witnesses.

AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING—MODIFYING CHILD SUPPORT PENALTIES

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing on modifying child support penalties for automatic data processing. Testimony was heard from Senator Feinstein; Representative Cardin, John Monahan, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services; Robert Doar, Director, Office of Child Support, Department of Social Services, State of New York; Leslie L. Frye, Chief, Office of Child Support, Department of Social Services, State of California; Wallace N. Dutkowski, Director, Office of Child Support, Department of Social Services, State of Michigan; and public witnesses.

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Monday, February 2, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 418–54

Measures Introduced: Four bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1593–1596 and S. Res. 171. **Page 444**

Nominations—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the nominations of Carlos R. Moreno, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, and Christine O. C. Miller, of the District of Columbia, to be Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, on Tuesday, February 3, 1998, with votes to occur thereon. **Page 453**

Messages from the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report of the budget of the U.S. Government for fiscal year 1999; which was referred jointly, pursuant to the order of January 30, 1975, to the Committee on Appropriations, and to the Committee on the Budget. (PM–88). **Page 442**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Gus A. Owen, of California, to be a Member of the Surface Transportation Board for a term expiring December 31, 2002.

Routine lists in the Foreign Service. **Page 454**

Messages From the President: **Page 441**

Statements on Introduced Bills: **Page 444**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page 446**

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Additional Statements:

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon, and adjourned at 5:54 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, February 3, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 454.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will next meet on Tuesday, February 3.

Committee Meetings

EAST ASIA ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: On January 30, the Committee held a hearing on East Asia Economic Conditions. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Robert E. Rubin, Secretary; and Lawrence H. Summers, Deputy Secretary; William S. Cohen, Secretary of Defense; Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

D.C. MANAGEMENT REFORM: COST, SAVINGS AND NET

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: On January 30, the Subcommittee on the District of Columbia held a hearing on D.C. Management Reform: Cost, Savings and Net. Testimony was heard from Andrew Brimmer, Chairman, D.C. Financial and Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority; the following officials of the District of Columbia: Camille Barnett, Chief Management Officer; Anthony Williams, Chief Financial Officer; Marion Barry, Mayor, and Linda Cropp, Council Chair; and public witnesses.

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Tuesday, February 3, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 457–508

Measures Introduced: Six bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1597–1602 and S. Res. 172.

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Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport: Senate began consideration of S. 1575, to rename the Washington National Airport located in the District of Columbia and Virginia as the "Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport", taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Pending:

Reid Amendment No. 1640, to redesignate the J. Edgar Hoover FBI Building in Washington, District of Columbia, as the "Federal Bureau of Investigation Building".

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Dodd Amendment No. 1641, to establish a Federal Facilities Redesignation Advisory Group to consider and make recommendations for the renaming of existing Federal facilities.

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Daschle Amendment No. 1642, to require the approval by the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority of the renaming of Washington National Airport as the Ronald Reagan National Airport.

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Robb Amendment No. 1643, to provide an orderly process for the renaming of existing Federal facilities.

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Senate will resume consideration of the bill on Wednesday, February 4, 1998, with votes to occur thereon.

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting a report deferrals of budgetary resources; which was referred jointly, pursuant to the order of January 30, 1975, to the Committee on Appropriations, to the Committee on the Budget, to the Committee on Finance, and to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM–89).

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Transmitting the report of an agreement concerning fisheries off the coasts of the United States; which was referred jointly, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 1823, to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, and to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM–90).

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Transmitting the annual report of the Railroad Retirement Board for fiscal year 1996; referred to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources. (PM–91).

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations: By unanimous vote of 96 yeas (Vote No. EX. 2), Carlos R. Moreno, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

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By unanimous vote of 96 yeas (Vote No. EX. 3), Christine O. C. Miller, of the District of Columbia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years. (Reappointment)

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

1 Coast Guard nomination in the rank of admiral.

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Messages From the President:

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Amendments Submitted:

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Authority for Committees:

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Additional Statements:

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total–3)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon, and adjourned at 7:12 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Wednesday, February 4, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 508.)

Committee Meetings

AUTHORIZATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee held hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, receiving testimony from William S. Cohen, Secretary of Defense; William J. Lynn III, Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller); and Gen. Henry H. Shelton, USA, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Hearings continue on Thursday, February 5.

1999 BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: Committee held hearings to examine the President's proposed budget for fiscal year 1999, receiving testimony from Robert E. Rubin, Secretary of the Treasury; and Jack Lew, Deputy Director, Office of Management and Budget.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

PUBLIC LAND MANAGEMENT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management concluded hearings on S. 1253, to provide Federal land management agencies the authority and capability to manage Federal lands effectively in accordance with the principles of multiple use and sustained yield, after receiving testimony from William H. Meadows, Wilderness Society, Washington, D.C.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Donald J.

Barry, of Wisconsin, to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife, and Sallyanne Harper, of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Environmental Protection Agency, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

ANTI-PERSONNEL LANDMINE BANS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee held hearings to examine the military implications of certain initiatives to prevent the United States from making use of anti-personnel landmines, receiving testimony from Gen. Carl E. Mundy, USMC (Ret.), former Commandant; Gen. Frederick J. Kroesen, USA (Ret.), former Commander-in-Chief, Europe; and Gen. Raymond G. Davis, USMC (Ret.), former Assistant Commandant.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

he resigns from the House of Representatives effective February 6, 1998. **Page 515**

Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

Budget of the U.S. Government: Message wherein he transmitted his 1999 Budget of the United States Government—referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-177); **Page 518**

Deferrals of Budgetary Resources: Message wherein he transmits his report concerning eight deferrals totaling \$4.8 billion—referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-205); **Page 604**

United States and Latvia Fisheries Agreement: Message wherein he transmits the agreement between the United States and the Republic of Latvia concerning fisheries off the coasts of the United States—referred to the Committee on Resources and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-206); and **Page 632**

Railroad Retirement Board: Message wherein he transmits the Annual Report of the Railroad Retirement Board for fiscal year 1996—referred to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure and Ways and Means. **Page 632**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Patriotic and National Observances, Ceremonies, and Organizations: H.R. 1085, amended, to revise, codify, and enact without substantive change certain general and permanent laws, related to patriotic and national observances, ceremonies, and organizations, as title 36, United States Code, "Patriotic and National Observances, Ceremonies, and Organizations"; and **Page 520**

FAA Research, Engineering and Development: Agreed to the Senate Amendments to H.R. 1271, to authorize the Federal Aviation Administration's research, engineering, and development programs for fiscal years 1998 through 2000—clearing the measure for the President. **Page 600**

Coastwise Trade Certificate of Documentation: The House passed S. 1349, to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel *PRINCE NOVA*—clearing the measure for the President. **Page 603**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 652.

Quorum Calls—Votes: No quorum calls or recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: Met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 15 public bills, H.R. 3137-3151; and 5 resolutions, H.J. Res. 107-108, H. Con. Res. 207, and H. Res. 346-347, were introduced. **Page 651**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Filed on January 29, H.R. 2625, to redesignate Washington National Airport as "Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport", amended (H. Rept. 105-408);

Filed on January 30, H.R. 2846, to prohibit spending Federal education funds on national testing without explicit and specific legislation, amended (H. Rept. 105-409);

H.R. 429, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for special immigrant status for NATO civilian employees in the same manner as for employees of international organizations (H. Rept. 105-410);

H. Res. 344, providing for consideration of H.R. 2625, to redesignate Washington National Airport as "Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport" (H. Rept. 105-411); and

H. Res. 345, providing for consideration of H.J. Res. 107, expressing the sense of the Congress that the award of attorneys' fees, costs, and sanctions of \$285,864.78 ordered by United States District Judge Royce C. Lamberth on December 18, 1997, should not be paid with taxpayer funds (H. Rept. 105-412). **Page 650**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Miller of Florida to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 509**

Recess: The House recessed at 1:14 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m. **Page 514**

Resignation from the House of Representatives: Read a letter from Representative Ronald V. Dellums wherein

Committee Meetings

TOBACCO SETTLEMENT—IMPACT ON PRODUCERS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Risk Management and Speciality Crops held a hearing on proposed tobacco settlement's impact on producers. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor-Health and Human Services and Education continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative held a hearing on Financial Managers Council and the Library of Congress. Testimony was heard from Richard Brown, Deputy Assistant Comptroller General, Operations, GAO; and the following officials of the Library of Congress: John Webster, Director, Financial Services; James H. Billington, Librarian; Donald L. Scott, Deputy Librarian; Winston Tabb, Associate Librarian, Library Services; Marybeth Peters, Register of Copyrights; Daniel P. Mulhollan, Director, Congressional Research Service; and Frank Kurt Cylke, Director, National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped.

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation began appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress and public witnesses.

EAST ASIA ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Concluded hearings on East Asia Economic Conditions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Visclosky, Stearns, Crapo, Paul and Sanders; and public witnesses.

ADMINISTRATION'S BUDGET SUBMISSION

Committee on the Budget: Held a hearing on the Administration's FY 1999 Budget Submission. Testimony was heard from Franklin D. Raines, Director, OMB.

HUMAN RIGHTS PRACTICES

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights held a hearing on Country Reports on Human Rights Practices for 1997. Testimony was heard from John Shattuck, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, Department of State; Wei Jingsheng, Democracy Advocate and former political prisoner; and public witnesses.

RONALD REAGAN NATIONAL AIRPORT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a vote of 9 to 3, a modified open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 2625,

Ronald Reagan National Airport. The rule provides for a 2 hour time limit on the amendment process. The rule also makes in order the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure amendment in the nature of a substitute as an original bill for the purpose of amendment, which shall be considered as read.

The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have preprinted their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows for the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rules provide for one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Shuster; and Representatives Davis of Virginia, Morella, Oberstar, Norton and Moran of Virginia.

COSTS PAYABLE—TASK FORCE ON NATIONAL HEALTH CARE REFORM

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.J. Res. 107, expressing the sense of the Congress that the award of attorneys' fees, costs, and sanctions of \$285,864.78 ordered by United States District Judge Royce C. Lamberth on December 18, 1997, should not be paid with taxpayer funds. The rule provides that the joint resolution will be considered as read. The rule permits the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representative Hayworth.

CHILD SUPPORT PERFORMANCE AND INCENTIVE ACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Human Resources approved for full Committee action H.R. 3130, Child Support Performance and Incentive Act of 1998.

IRS TAXPAYER ADVOCATE—ANNUAL REPORT TO CONGRESS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on the Annual Report to Congress of the Internal Revenue Service Taxpayer Advocate. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the IRS, Department of the Treasury: Charles O. Rossotti, Commissioner; Lee Monks, Taxpayer Advocate; and the following District Taxpayer Advocates: Fran Romano, Connecticut-Rhode Island District; Louis Romito, Associate District Taxpayer Advocate, Pennsylvania District; Janey Tabor, Ohio District; Sandra Ling, Pacific-Northwest District; and Elayne M. Goldstein, Midwest District.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

SECOND SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House. The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 27 through January 31, 1998

	<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Days in session	3	2	5
Time in session	21 hrs., 54'	10 hrs., 13'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	244	101	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	60	..
Public bills enacted into law .....	..	..	..
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	..	..
Bills in conference .....	..	1	..
Bills through conference .....	..	..	..
Measures passed, total	7	7	14
Senate bills .....	..	1	..
House bills	1	..	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
Senate concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
House concurrent resolutions	1	1	..
Simple resolutions	5	5	..
Measures reported, total	*1	*2	3
Senate bills	1	..	..
House bills .....	..	2	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
Senate concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
House concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
Simple resolutions .....	..	..	..
Special reports .....	..	..	..
Conference reports .....	..	..	..
Measures pending on calendar	116	42	..
Measures introduced, total	33	63	96
Bills	25	48	..
Joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
Concurrent resolutions	1	6	..
Simple resolutions	7	9	..
Quorum calls	1	1	..
Yea-and-nay votes	1	1	..
Recorded votes .....	..	..	..
Bills vetoed .....	..	..	..
Vetoes overridden .....	..	..	..

*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. One report has been filed in the Senate, and one report has been filed in the House.

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 27 through January 31, 1998

Civilian nominations totaling 156 (including 124 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	3
Unconfirmed	151
Withdrawn	2
Civilian nominations (FS, PHS, CG, NOAA), totaling 142 (including 86 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Unconfirmed	142
Air Force nominations, totaling 224 (including 21 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Unconfirmed	224
Army nominations, totaling 370 (including 2 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Unconfirmed	370
Navy nominations, totaling 64 (including 4 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Unconfirmed	64
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 6, disposed of as follows:	
Unconfirmed	6
<i>Summary</i>	
Total Nominations carried over from the First Session	237
Total nominations received this session	725
Total confirmed	3
Total unconfirmed	957
Total withdrawn	2

Wednesday, February 4, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 679–762

Measures Introduced: Nine bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1603–1611, S.J. Res. 40 and S. Con. Res. 72. **Page 727**

Measures Passed:

Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport: By 76 yeas to 22 nays (Vote No. 7), Senate passed S. 1575, to rename the Washington National Airport located in the District of Columbia and Virginia as the "Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport", after taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Page 680**

Rejected:

By 35 yeas to 63 nays (Vote No. 4), Robb Amendment No. 1643, to provide an orderly process for the renaming of existing Federal facilities. **Page 680**

Reid Amendment No. 1640, to redesignate the J. Edgar Hoover Building in Washington, District of Columbia, as the "Federal Bureau of Investigation Building". (By 62 yeas to 36 nays (Vote No. 5), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages 680, 682**

By 35 yeas to 63 nays (Vote No. 6), Daschle Amendment No. 1642, to require the approval by the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority of the renaming of Washington National Airport as the Ronald Reagan National Airport. **Pages 680, 684**

Withdrawn:

Dodd Modified Amendment No. 1641, to establish a Federal Facilities Redesignation Advisory Group to consider and make recommendations for the renaming of existing Federal facilities. **Pages 680, 682**

Passage Vitiating: Senate vitiated passage of the following measures:

S. 1033, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998. (Passed July 24, 1997) **Page 762**

S. 940, to provide for a study of the establishment of Midway Atoll as a national memorial to the Battle of Midway. (Passed November 4, 1997) **Page 762**

Nomination Considered: Senate began consideration of the nomination of David Satcher, of Tennessee, to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services, to be Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service, and to be Surgeon General of the Public Health Service. **Page 691**

Messages from the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting a report concerning the national emergency with respect to Iraq; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs. (PM-92). **Page 726**

Messages From the President: **Page 726**

Messages From the House: **Page 727**

Messages Placed on Calendar: **Page 728**

Statements on Introduced Bills: **Page 728**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page 751**

Amendments Submitted: **Page 752**

Authority for Committees: **Page 760**

Additional Statements: **Page 760**

Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—7) **Pages 680, 683, 684, 689**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 7:31 p.m., until 10:30 a.m., on Thursday, February 5, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 762.)

Committee Meetings

NOMINATION

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Gen. Joseph W. Ralston, USAF, for reappointment as Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

1999 BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: Committee continued hearings to examine the President's proposed budget for fiscal year 1999, receiving testimony from Franklin D. Raines, Director, Office of Management and Budget.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Donald J. Barry, of Wisconsin, to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife, and Margaret Hornbeck Greene, of Kentucky, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Enrichment Corporation, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Ms. Greene was introduced by Senator Ford.

ASIAN FINANCIAL CRISIS

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings to examine recent developments in Asian financial markets and the impact on the growth of the American economy, and on the United States role in ensuring adequate funding for the International Monetary Fund (IMF), receiving testimony from Lawrence H. Summers, Deputy Secretary of

the Treasury; Stuart E. Eizenstat, Under Secretary of State for Economic, Business and Agricultural Affairs; Robert B. Zoellick, former Counselor to the Secretary of the Treasury and former Under Secretary for State for Economic Affairs; C. Fred Bergsten, Institute for International Economics, and John H. Makin, American Enterprise Institute, both of Washington, D.C.; and Allen Sinai, Primark Decision Economics, Inc., New York, New York.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of M. Margaret McKeown, of Washington, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Richard L. Young, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Indiana, Susan Oki Mollway, to be United States District Judge for the District of Hawaii, Edward F. Shea, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington, and Jeremy D. Fogel, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Ms. McKeown was introduced by Senators Gorton and Murray and Representatives White and Campbell, Mr. Young was introduced by Senator Lugar, Ms. Mollway was introduced by Senators Akaka and Inouye and Representatives Abercrombie and Mink, Mr. Shea was introduced by Senators Gorton and Murray, and Mr. Fogel was introduced by Senator Feinstein.

REHABILITATION ACT AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 1579, authorizing funds through fiscal year 2004 for programs of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, with amendments.

CLASSIFIED DISCLOSURES TO CONGRESS

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held hearings on the constitutionality of Section 306 of S. 858 (Public Law 105-107) relating to the encouragement of disclosure of certain information to Congress, receiving testimony from Louis Fisher, Senior Specialist in American National Government, Government Division, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; and Peter Raven-Hansen, George Washington University Law School, Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 11 public bills, H.R. 3152-3162; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 208, and H. Res. 350, were introduced. **Page 851**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 348, providing for consideration for H.R. 2846, to prohibit spending Federal education funds on national testing without explicit and specific legislation (H. Rept. 105-413); and

H. Res. 349, providing for consideration of S. 1575, to rename the Washington National Airport located in the District of Columbia and Virginia as the "Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport" (H. Rept. 105-414). **Page 851**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of today. **Page 763**

Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport: The House passed H.R. 2625, to redesignate Washington National Airport as "Ronald Reagan National Airport" by a ye and nay vote of 240 yeas to 186 nays, Roll No. 6. **Page 773**

By a ye and nay vote of 186 yeas to 237 nays, Roll No. 5, rejected the Oberstar motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure with instructions to report it back forthwith with an amendment in the nature of a substitute that urges the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority to use its existing authority to name the terminal building that opened in 1997 as the "Ronald Wilson Reagan Terminal Building." **Page 797**

Agreed to the Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order by the rule. **Page 784**

Rejected:

Davis of Virginia amendment that sought to make the act effective on the date that the Secretary of Transportation secures the consent of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority for the redesignation (rejected by a recorded vote of 206 yeas to 215 noes, Roll No. 4); and **Pages 784, 796**

Norton amendment that sought to make the act effective on the date that the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority secures funds, other than from the operating budget, for all costs associated with the redesignation. **Page 788**

Points of Order Sustained Against:

Moran of Virginia amendment that sought to redesignate the airport as the "George Washington National Airport;" and **Page 790**

Moran of Virginia amendment that sought to make the act effective on the date that the voters of Arlington County, Virginia approve a referendum proposing the redesignation of the airport. **Page 793**

Agreed to amend the title.

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Agreed to H. Res. 344, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by a voice vote. Earlier, agreed to order the previous question by a yea and nay vote of 227 yeas to 189 nays, Roll No. 3.

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National Health Care Reform Task Force: The House passed H.J. Res. 107, expressing the sense of the Congress that the award of attorneys' fees, costs, and sanctions of \$285,864.78 ordered by United States District Judge Royce C. Lamberth on December 18, 1997, should not be paid with taxpayer funds, by a yea and nay vote of 273 yeas to 126 nays, Roll No. 7.

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Points of Order Sustained Against:

Cardin amendment that sought to insert language dealing with legislation that provides national quality standards for all health care plans;

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Cardin amendment that sought to prohibit taxpayer funds to be used to pay the attorneys' fees, costs, and sanctions ordered by Judge Lamberth;

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Stark amendment that sought to insert language dealing with the Speaker and congressional staff salaries; and

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Stark amendment that sought to insert language concerning the development of a health care proposal.

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Earlier, agreed to H. Res. 345, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill.

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Presidential Message—National Emergency Re Iraq: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted his report concerning the national emergency with respect to Iraq—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–207).

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate appear on page 800.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 853.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea and nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 772, 796, 798, 799, and 820. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:09 p.m.

Committee Meetings

ASIAN FINANCIAL CRISIS—U.S. AGRICULTURE

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities held a hearing on the Asian financial crisis and to its relationship to U.S. agriculture. Testimony was heard from August Schumacher, Jr., Under Secretary, Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services, USDA.

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Inspector General. Testimony was heard from Roger C. Viadero, Inspector General, USDA.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior held an oversight hearing on National Park Service, Forest Service and Fish and Wildlife Service and the Bureau of Land Management. Testimony was heard from, Barry T. Hill, Associate Director, Energy, Resources and Science, GAO; the following officials of the Department of the Interior: Robert J. Williams, Acting Inspector General; John Berry, Assistant Secretary, Policy, Management and Budget; John Rogers, Deputy Director, Fish and Wildlife Service; Pat Shea, Director, Bureau of Land Management; and Robert Stanton, Director, National Park Service; the following officials of the USDA: Robert Young, Deputy Assistant Inspector General, Audit, and Robert C. Joslin, Deputy Chief, National Forest System, Forest Service.

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative held a hearing on the Joint Economic Committee, the Architect of the Capitol, the Joint Committee on Taxation, the GAO and the Capitol Police. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Joint Economic Committee: Representative Saxton, Chairman; and Christopher Frenze, Executive Director; the following officials of the Office of the Architect of the Capitol: Alan M. Hantman, Architect; Stuart Prefnall, Budget Officer; Robert Miley, Superintendent, House Office Buildings, and Dan Hanlon, Director, of Engineering; the following officials of the Joint Committee on Taxation: Representative Archer, Vice Chairman; Mary M. Schmitt, Deputy Chief of Staff-Law; and Bernard A. Schmitt, Deputy Chief of Staff-Revenue Analysis; James F. Hinchman, Acting Comptroller General, GAO; the following members of the U.S. Capitol Police Board: Wilson Livingood, Sergeant at Arms, House of Representatives; Gregory S. Casey, Sergeant at Arms, Senate; Alan M. Hantman, Architect of the Capitol; and Gary L. Abrecht, Chief, U.S. Capitol Police.

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor-Health and Human Services and Education continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

HOMEOWNERS' INSURANCE AVAILABILITY ACT

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity approved for

full Committee action amended H.R. 219, Homeowners' Insurance Availability Act of 1997.

SUPERFUND PROGRAM STATUS

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials held a hearing on the Status of the Superfund Program. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Environmental Protection Issues Division, GAO: Peter F. Guerrero, Director; and Jim Donaghy, Eileen Larence and Mitchell Karpman, all Assistant Directors; Tim Fields, Acting Assistant Administrator, EPA; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Workforce Protections approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 2864, amended, to require the Secretary of Labor to establish a program under which employers may consult with State officials respecting compliance with occupational safety and health requirements; H.R. 2877, amended, to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970; and H.R. 3096, to correct a provision relating to termination of benefits for convicted persons.

PATIENT ACCESS ALTERNATIVE TREATMENTS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Held a hearing on Patient Access to Alternative Treatments: Beyond the FDA. Testimony was heard from former Representative Berkley W. Bedell of Iowa; and public witnesses.

FEDERAL AVIATION YEAR 2000 IMPACTS ON AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL SYSTEM

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology, and the Subcommittee on Technology of the Committee on Science held a joint hearing on Federal Aviation Administration at Risk: Year 2000 Impacts on the Air Traffic Control System. Testimony was heard from Joel Willemsen, Director, Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO; the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Ken Mead, Inspector General and Jane Garvey, Administrator, FAA; and a public witness.

DORNAN V. SANCHEZ—CONTESTED ELECTION; COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on House Oversight: Ordered favorably reported a resolution regarding the Contested Election in the 46th Congressional District of California.

The Committee also approved pending committee business.

DORNAN V. SANCHEZ—CONTESTED ELECTION

Committee on House Oversight: Task Force for the Contested Election in the 46th Congressional District of California approved for full Committee action a resolution regarding

the Contested Election in the 46th Congressional Election of California.

U.S. CHINA NUCLEAR COOPERATION AGREEMENT

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on Implementation of the U.S.-China Nuclear Cooperation Agreement. Testimony was heard from Robert Einhorn, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Non-Proliferation, Bureau of Politico-Military Affairs, Department of State.

The Committee also met in executive session to hold a hearing on this subject. Testimony was heard from John Lauder, Director, Nonproliferation Center, CIA.

ASIA—FINANCIAL CRISIS

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific and the Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade held a joint hearing on the Financial Crisis in Asia. Testimony was heard from Lawrence H. Summers, Deputy Secretary, Department of the Treasury; Stuart Eizenstat, Under Secretary, Economic, Business, and Agricultural Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution approved for full Committee action H.R. 3117, Civil Rights Commission Act of 1998.

OVERSIGHT—COPYRIGHT LICENSING REGIMES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property held an oversight hearing regarding copyright licensing regimes covering retransmission of broadcast signals. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

INTERNET GAMBLING PROHIBITION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime held a hearing regarding Gambling in Cyberspace: a hearing on the legality of gambling on the Internet, focusing on H.R. 2380, Internet Gambling Prohibition Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

NURSING RELIEF ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 2759, Health Professional Shortage Area Nursing Relief Act of 1997.

REPRESENTATIVE DELLUMS HONORED

Committee on National Security: Met to honor Rep. Donald V. Dellums.

PROHIBIT SPENDING EDUCATION FUNDS ON NATIONAL TESTING WITHOUT SPECIFIC AUTHORITY

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 2846, to prohibit

spending Federal education funds on national testing without explicit and specific legislation. The rule makes in order the Committee on Education and the Workforce amendment in the nature of a substitute as an original bill for the purpose of amendment, which shall be considered as read. The rule authorizes the Chairman to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows for the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides for one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Chairman Goodling, Representatives Clay and Martinez. Testimony was heard from

RONALD REAGAN WASHINGTON NATIONAL AIRPORT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing 1 hour of debate on S. 1575, to rename the Washington National Airport located in the District of Columbia and Virginia as the Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport. The rule provides for the consideration of the bill in the House and that the bill be considered as read. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit.

ROAD FROM KYOTO

Committee on Science: Held a hearing on the Road from Kyoto Part I: Where Are We, Where Are We Going, and How Do We Get There? Testimony was heard from Kathleen A. McGinty, Chair, Council on Environmental Quality; Jay E. Hakes, Administrator, Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

BUDGET REQUEST

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held a hearing on the Department of Veterans Affairs budget request for FY 1999. Testimony was heard from Togo D. West, Jr., Acting Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs.

VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION PROGRAMS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Benefits held a hearing on the Department of Veterans Affairs Vocational Rehabilitation Programs. Testimony was heard from Cynthia M. Fagnoni, Associate Director, Veterans' Affairs and Military Health Care Issues, Health, Educators, and Human Services Division, GAO; Espiridion Borrego, Assistant Secretary, Veterans' Employment and Training Service, Department of Labor; Joseph Thompson, Under Secretary, Benefits, Department of Veterans Affairs; representatives of various veterans organization; and a public witness.

FEDERAL TAX BURDEN

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on proposals to reduce the Federal tax burden on the American

public. Testimony was heard from Representative Thune; June O'Neill, Director, CBO; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue February 12.

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Thursday, February 5, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 928–80

Measures Introduced: Five bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1612–1616 and S. Res. 173.

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Human Cloning Prohibition Act: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to S. 1601, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the use of somatic cell nuclear transfer technology for purposes of human cloning.

Pages 940, 960

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of Rules XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Tuesday, February 10, 1998.

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Subsequently, the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill was withdrawn.

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Nomination—Cloture Filed: A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination of David Satcher, of Tennessee, to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services, to be Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service, and to be Surgeon General and, by unanimous-consent agreement, a vote on the cloture motion will occur at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, February 10, 1998, following which Senate expects to vote on confirmation of the nomination.

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A further unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for consideration of the nomination on Monday, February 9 and Tuesday, February 10, 1998.

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Passage Vitiating: On Wednesday, February 4, 1997, Senate vitiated passage of the following measure:

S. 947, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 104(a) of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1998. (Passed by the Senate on June 25, 1997)

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

- 2 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.
- 2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

Pages 963, 980

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Eligah Dane Clark, of Alabama, to be Chairman of the Board of Veterans' Appeals for a term of six years.

Keith C. Kelly, of Arizona, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation.

Robert A. Miller, of South Dakota, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute for a term expiring September 17, 2000.

23 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

2 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10:30 a.m., and adjourned at 3:52 p.m., until 11 a.m., on Monday, February 9, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page 978.)

Committee Meetings

TELEMARKETING FRAUD

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary concluded hearings to examine the scope of telecommunications fraud and abuse and its victimization of the elderly, after receiving testimony from Robert Pitofsky, Chairman, Federal Trade Commission; Walter L. Maroney, New Hampshire Attorney General's Office of Consumer Protection, Concord; Harold Phillips, Charleston County Sheriff's Department, Charleston, South Carolina; and Helen Boosalis, Lincoln, Nebraska, on behalf of the American Association of Retired Persons.

NOMINATIONS/AUTHORIZATION—DOD

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Gen. Joseph W. Ralston, USAF, for appointment as the Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and for appointment to the grade of General, Maj. Gen. Thomas R. Case, USAF, for appointment in the United States Air Force to the grade of Lieutenant General, Col. Michael J. Squier, USA, for appointment in the Reserve of the Army to the grade of Brigadier General, and Col. Robert L. Echols, USA, for appointment in the Reserve of the Army to the grade of Brigadier General.

Also, committee resumed hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, receiving testimony from John H. Dalton, Secretary of the Navy; Adm. Jay L. Johnson, USN, Chief of Naval Oper-

ations; and Gen. Charles C. Krulak, USMC, Commandant of the Marine Corps.

Hearings continue on Tuesday, February 10.

IRS REFORM

Committee on Finance: Committee resumed hearings on proposals and recommendations to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service, including related measures S.1096 and H.R. 2676, focusing on increasing Congressional and Executive Branch oversight of the IRS, receiving testimony from Richard B. Calahan, Deputy Inspector General, Department of the Treasury; Lynda D. Willis, Director, Tax Policy and Administration Issues, General Government Division, General Accounting Office; Bruce A. Strauss, Jacksonville, Florida, former Division Chief, Collection Division, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury; Nina E. Olson, Community Tax Law Project, Richmond, Virginia; Michael I. Saltzman, White & Case, New York, New York; and Robert S. Schriebman, Rolling Hills Estates, California.

Hearings continue on Wednesday, February 11.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills introduced: 12 public bills, H.R. 3163–3174; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 209–210, and H. Res. 351, 353, were introduced. **Page 926**

Reports Filed: A reports was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 352, providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules (H. Rept. 105–415). **Page 926**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Emerson to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 877**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, the Reverend Douglas Tanner of Washington, D.C. **Page 877**

National Education Testing: The House passed H.R. 2846, to prohibit spending Federal education funds on national testing without explicit and specific legislation by a ye and nay vote of 242 yeas to 174 nays, Roll No. 9. **Page 886**

Agreed to the Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order by the rule. **Page 894**

The Clerk was authorized to make technical corrections and conforming changes to the bill. **Page 895**

Agreed to H. Res. 348, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by a voice vote. Earlier, agreed to order the previous question by a ye and nay vote of 220 yeas to 185 nays, Roll No. 8. **Page 879**

Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport: The House passed S. 1575, to rename the Washington Na-

tional Airport located in the District of Columbia and Virginia as the "Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport"—clearing the measure for the President. Subsequently, H.R. 2625, a similar House-passed bill was laid on the table. **Page 898**

Earlier, agreed to H. Res. 349, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill. **Page 895**

Military Construction Appropriations Act Line Item Veto: By a yea and nay vote of 347 yeas to 69 nays, Roll No. 10, the House voted to override the President's veto of H.R. 2631, disapproving the cancellations transmitted by the President on October 6, 1997, regarding Public Law 105-45 (two-thirds of those present voting in favor)—clearing the measure for Senate action. **Page 899**

Member Sworn: Representative-elect Gregory W. Meeks presented himself in the well of the House and was administered the oath of office by the Speaker. **Page 905**

Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 351, electing Representatives Sandlin and Meeks of New York to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services. **Page 906**

Legislative Program: The Chief Deputy Majority Whip announced the Legislative Program for the week of February 9. **Page 906**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of February, 11. **Page 907**

Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

Commodity Credit Corporation: Message wherein he transmitted the fiscal year 1995 report of the Commodity Credit Corporation—referred to the Committee on Agriculture; **Page 918**

National Endowment for the Humanities: Message wherein he transmitted the 1996 annual report of the National Endowment for the Humanities—referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce; and **Page 918**

United States and Poland Fisheries Agreement: Message wherein he transmitted the agreement between the United States and the Republic of Poland concerning fisheries off the coasts of the United States—referred to the Committee on Resources and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-211). **Page 918**

Quorum Calls—Votes: One quorum call (Roll No. 11) and three yea and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 885, 895, 902, and 904.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and pursuant to H. Con. Res. 201 adjourned at 5:05 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 11.

Committee Meetings

FOOD STAMP ACT—ANTI-FRAUD PROVISIONS ENFORCEMENT

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Department Operations, Nutrition, and Foreign Agriculture held a hearing on the enforcement of anti-fraud provisions of the Food Stamp Act. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the USDA: Roger C. Viadero, Inspector General; and Yvette S. Jackson, Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service; James H. DeAtley, U.S. Attorney, Southern District of Texas; and Christo M. Tolia, Director, Division of Public Assistance Fraud, Office of the Auditor General, State of Florida.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior held an oversight hearing on the Smithsonian, National Gallery of Art, Kennedy Center and the Holocaust Museum. Testimony was heard from I. Michael Heyman, Secretary, Smithsonian Institution; Lawrence J. Wilker, President, John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts; Earl A. Powell III, Director, National Gallery of Art; and Walter Reich, Museum Director, U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum.

OVERSIGHT—LABOR DEPARTMENT; LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor-Health and Human Services, and Education held an oversight hearing on the Department of Labor. Testimony was heard from Carlotta C. Joyner, Director, Education and Employment Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, GAO.

The Subcommittee also continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative held a hearing on the CBO, and the GPO. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the CBO: June E. O'Neill, Director; James L. Blum, Deputy Director; and David M. Delquadro, Personnel Officer; and the following officials of the GPO: Michael F. DiMario, Public Printer; Francis J. Buckley, Jr., Superintendent of Documents and William M. Guy, Budget Officer.

EXAMINATION PARITY AND YEAR 2000 READINESS FOR FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS ACT

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Ordered reported amended H.R. 3116, Examination Parity and Year 2000 Readiness for Financial Institutions Act

Prior to this action, the Committee held a hearing on this legislation. Testimony was heard from Norman D'Amours, Chairman, National Credit Union Adminis-

tration; Ellen Seidman, Director, Office of Thrift Supervision, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

CBO FORECASTS

Committee on the Budget: Held a hearing on the Congressional Budget Office Forecasts. Testimony was heard from June E. O'Neill, Director, CBO.

OVERSIGHT—ENERGY DEPARTMENT BUDGET

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held an oversight hearing on Department of Energy's Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 1999. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy; Elizabeth A. Moler, Deputy Secretary; and Ernest Moniz, Under Secretary.

HIV—PREVENTING TRANSMISSION

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment held a hearing on Preventing the Transmission of the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV). Testimony was heard from Nettie Mayersohn, Assemblywoman, State of New York; Beth Meyerson, AIDS Director, Bureau of STD/HIV Prevention, Department of Health, State of Missouri; Lydia R. Tomoshok, Scientific Consultant, World Health Organization; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations, hearing on proposals to provide fairness to small business and employees, including the following bills; H.R. 2449, Fair Access to Indemnity and Reimbursement Act; H.R. 1598, Justice on Time Act of 1997; H.R. 1595, Fair Hearing Act, and H.R. 758, Truth in Employment Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

CAMPAIGN REFORM

Committee on House Oversight: Held a hearing on Campaign Reform. Testimony was heard from Representatives White, Horn, Maloney of New York, Franks of New Jersey, Bereuter, Ford and Mink of Hawaii.

ALGERIA'S TURMOIL

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Africa held a hearing on Algeria's Turmoil. Testimony was heard from Ronald Neumann, Deputy Assistant, Near Eastern Affairs, Department of State; Ramtane Lamamra, Ambassador, Embassy of Algeria; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—CIVIL LIABILITY PORTION OF TOBACCO SETTLEMENT

Committee on the Judiciary: Held an oversight hearing on the Civil Liability Portions of the Proposed Tobacco Settlement. Testimony was heard from David Ogden, Counselor to the Attorney General, Department of Justice; Gale Norton, Attorney General, State of Colorado, and public witnesses.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on National Security: Held a hearing on the fiscal year 1999 National Defense Authorization budget request. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: William S. Cohen, Secretary; and Gen. Henry H. Shelton, USA., Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

RHINO AND TIGER PRODUCT LABELING ACT; RHINOCEROS AND TIGER CONSERVATION ACT REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife & Oceans held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2807, Rhino and Tiger Product Labeling Act; and H.R. 3113, to reauthorize the Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act. Testimony was heard from Bruce Babbitt, Secretary of the Interior; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2098, the National Cave and Karst Research Institute Act of 1997 and H.R. 2989, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey to the St. Jude's Ranch for Children, Nevada, approximately 40 acres of land in Las Vegas, Nevada, to be used for the development of facilities for the residential care and treatment of adjudicated girls. Testimony was heard from Senator Bingaman; Representatives Skeen; the following officials of the Department of the Interior: Carson Culp, Assistant Director, Minerals, Realty and Resource Protection, Bureau of Land Management; and Michael A. Soukup, Associate Director, Natural Resources Stewardship and Science, National Parks Service; and public witnesses.

SUSPENSIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a vote of 8 to 0, a resolution providing that suspensions will be in order on Wednesday, February 11, 1998, or on Thursday, February 12, 1998. The rule provides that the Speaker or his designee shall consult with the Minority Leader or his designee on any suspension considered under this resolution.

NASA POSTURE

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics held a hearing on NASA Posture. Testimony was heard from Daniel S. Goldin, Administrator, NASA.

PERSIAN GULF WAR VETERANS' ILLNESSES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held a hearing on the research, investigations and programs involving Persian Gulf War veterans' illnesses. Testimony was heard from Arthur Caplan, member, Presidential Advisory Committee on Gulf War Veterans' Illnesses; the following officials of the Department of Veterans' Affairs: Kenneth W. Kizer, Under Secretary, Health, and Joseph Thomp-

son, Under Secretary, Benefits; Bernard Rostker, Special Assistant to the Deputy Secretary, Gulf War Illnesses, Department of Defense; the following officials of the GAO; Donna Heivilin, Director, Planning and Reporting, National Security and International Affairs Division, and Stephen Backhus, Director, Veterans' Affairs and Military Health Care Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division; and public witnesses.

IRAQ BRIEFING

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a briefing on Iraq. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

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Monday, February 9, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 999–1066

Measures Introduced: Three bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1617–1619 and S. Res. 174 and 175. **Page 1051**

Nomination Considered: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of David Satcher, of Tennessee, to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services, to be Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service, and to be Surgeon General.

Pages 1008, 1041, 1045

Senate will vote on a motion to close further debate on the nomination on Tuesday, February 10, 1998.

Human Cloning Prohibition Act—Consent Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the vote on the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to S. 1601, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the use of somatic cell nuclear transfer technology for purposes of human cloning, occur on Wednesday, February 11, 1998, at 10 a.m. **Page 1066**

Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the nomination of Margaret M. Morrow, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California. **Page 1066**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report of an agreement between the Governments of the United States and the Republic of Poland; which was referred jointly, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 1823, to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, and to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM–93). **Page 1050**

Transmitting the report of the National Endowment for the Humanities for calendar year 1996; referred to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources. (PM–94).

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Transmitting the report of the Commodity Credit Corporation fiscal year 1995; referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. (PM–95). **Page 1051**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Christy Carpenter, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2002. **Page 1066**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 11 a.m., and adjourned at 6:47 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Tuesday, February 10, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 1066.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will next meet on Wednesday, February 11.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

Joint Meetings

EMPLOYMENT-UNEMPLOYMENT

Joint Economic Committee: On Friday, February 6, committee held hearings to examine the employment-unemployment situation for January, receiving testimony from Katherine G. Abraham, Commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor.

Committee recessed subject to call.

Tuesday, February 10, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1069–1137

Measures Introduced: Two bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1620–1621, and S. Con. Res. 73. **Page 1125**

Nomination Confirmed: By 63 yeas to 35 nays (Vote No. Ex. 9), Senate confirmed the nomination of David Satcher, of Tennessee, to be Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services, to be Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service, and to be Surgeon General of the Public Health Service. **Page 1069**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 75 yeas to 23 nays (Vote No. Ex. 8), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to close further debate on the nomination. **Page 1079**

Nomination Considered: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Frederica A. Massiah-Jackson, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. **Pages 1087, 1103**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

11 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

Routine list in the Air Force. **Page 1134**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the 1998 annual report of the Council of Economic Advisers; to the Joint Economic Committee. (PM-96). **Page 1124**

Messages From the President: **Page 1124**

Statements on Introduced Bills: **Page 1125**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page 1126**

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total-9) **Pages 1079, 1080**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 6:39 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, February 11, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 1134.)

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Agriculture, receiving testimony from Daniel R. Glickman, Secretary, Richard Rominger, Deputy Secretary, Keith Collins, Chief Economist, and Stephen B. Dewhurst, Director, Office of Budget and Program Analysis, all of the Department of Agriculture.

Committee will meet again on Tuesday, February 24.

AUTHORIZATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee resumed hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, receiving testimony from Robert M. Walker, Acting Secretary of the Army; and Gen. Dennis J. Reimer, USA, Chief of Staff of the Army.

Hearings continue on Thursday, February 12.

FDIC

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Financial Services and Technology concluded hearings to examine the efforts of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation to bring its systems and those of its regulated institutions into compliance with the Year 2000, after receiving testimony from Jack L. Brock, Jr., Director, Governmentwide and Defense Information Systems, Accounting and Information Management Division, General Accounting Office; and Michael J. Zamorski, Deputy Director, Division of Supervision, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

U.S. REVENUE

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded hearings to examine the impact of recent revenue growth in the United States, after receiving testimony from James E. Glassman, Chase Securities, Inc., New York, New York; John G. Wilkins, Coopers and Lybrand, Washington, D.C.; and David A. Wyss, Standard & Poor's DRI, Lexington, Massachusetts.

INTERNET INDECENCY

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee held hearings to examine the extent of obscene material available on the Internet and measures to restrict its access, including S. 1619, to direct the Federal Communications Commission to study systems for filtering or blocking certain matter on the Internet, and to require the installation of such a system on computers in schools and libraries with Internet access, and S. 1482, to establish a prohibition on commercial distribution on the World Wide Web of material that is harmful to minors, receiving testimony from Senators Coats and Murray; Seth Warshavsky, Internet Entertainment Group, Inc., Seattle,

Washington; Andrew L. Sernovitz, Association for Interactive Media, and Christine Varney, Hogan & Hartson, both of Washington, D.C.; Elizabeth Whitacker, Tucson Unified School District, Tucson, Arizona; and a protected witness.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

COMPUTER SECURITY

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space concluded hearings to examine current computer security vulnerabilities within civilian federal agencies and current activities to prevent unauthorized computer access, after receiving testimony from G. Edward DeSeve, Acting Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget; Raymond G. Kammer, Director, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce; Frank A. Perry, Technical Director and Deputy Director, Engineering and Interoperability, Defense Information Systems Agency, Department of Defense; Len Baptiste, Director of Systems Standards and Evaluation, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury; and Lee B. Holcomb, Chief Information Officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Donald J. Barry, of Wisconsin, to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife, and Sallyanne Harper, of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Environmental Protection Agency.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nominations of Richard W. Fisher, of Texas, to be Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador, Donald C. Lubick, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, L. Paige Marvel, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court, and Michael B. Thornton, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court; and

S. 1133, to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses and to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

FOREIGN POLICY/STATE DEPARTMENT BUDGET

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee held hearings to review foreign policy issues for 1998 and the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of State, receiving testimony from Madeleine K. Albright, Secretary of State.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

INTERNET FRAUD

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations held hearings to examine certain incidences of fraud and deception on the Internet, and how to protect consumers, receiving testimony from Robert Pitofsky, Chairman, and Jody Bernstein, Director, Bureau of Consumer Protection, both of the Federal Trade Commission; Susan Grant, National Fraud Information Center/National Consumers League, Washington, D.C.; Tatiana Gau, America Online, Inc., Vienna, Virginia; and Barry D. Wise, Matthews, North Carolina.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

GLOBAL TOBACCO SETTLEMENT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee resumed hearings to examine the scope and depth of the proposed settlement between State Attorneys General and tobacco companies to mandate a total reformation and restructuring of how tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed in America, focusing on First Amendment issues related to cigarette advertising regulations and litigation concerning those restrictions, and civil liability provisions of the proposed settlement, and related provisions of S. 1530, Placing Restraints on Tobacco's Endangerment of Children and Teens Act (pending on Senate calendar), receiving testimony from David W. Ogden, Counselor to the Attorney General, Department of Justice; Richard A. Daynard, Northeastern University School of Law, Boston, Massachusetts; Martin H. Redish, Northwestern University School of Law, Chicago, Illinois; and David S. Versfelt, Freedom to Advertise Coalition, and Floyd Abrams, both of New York, New York.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

GLOBAL TOBACCO SETTLEMENT

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee resumed hearings to examine the scope and depth of the proposed settlement between State Attorneys General and tobacco companies to mandate a total reformation and restructuring of how tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed in America, focusing on public health goals, receiving testimony from Michael P. Eriksen, Director, Office on Smoking and Health, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Alan I. Leshner, Director, National Institute on Drug Abuse, Marc W. Manley, Division on Cancer Prevention and Control, National Cancer Institute, John M. Eisenberg, Administrator, Agency for Health Care Policy and Research, and William B. Schultz, Deputy Commissioner for Policy, Food and Drug Administration, all of the Department of Health and Human Services; and Matthew L. Myers, Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids/National Center for Tobacco-Free Kids, R. Timothy Columbus, Collier Shannon Rill & Scott, on behalf of the National

Association of Convenience Stores, and Scott D. Ballin, American Lung Association, all of Washington, D.C.

Hearings continue on Tuesday, February 24.

SOCIAL SECURITY REFORM

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded hearings to examine the future of the Social Security system and goals to restore its long-term solvency, after receiving testimony from Kenneth S. Apfel, Commissioner, Social Security Administration; Jane L. Ross, Director, Income Security Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; Fidel A. Vargas, Cambridge, Massachusetts, former Member of the Advisory Council on Social Security; and Timothy J. Penny, Cato Institute, and Joseph Perkins, American Association of Retired Persons, both of Washington, D.C.

ther debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page 1146**

Reading of Washington's Farewell Address: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that, notwithstanding the Resolution of the Senate of January 24, 1901, on Monday, February 23, 1998, immediately following the prayer and the disposition of the Journal, the traditional reading of Washington's Farewell Address take place and the Chair be authorized to appoint a Senator to perform this task. **Page 1203**

Subsequently, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, appointed Senator Landrieu to read the address. **Page 1203**

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed for the following treaty:

Protocols to the North Atlantic Treaty of 1949 on accession of Poland, Hungary, and Czech Republic (Treaty Doc. 105-36)

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and was ordered to be printed. **Page 1203**

Nomination Considered: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Frederica A. Massiah-Jackson, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. **Pages 1147, 1161, 1168**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 67 yeas to 28 nays (Vote No. 11 EX), Margaret M. Morrow, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California. **Pages 1180, 1220**

Sally Thompson, of Kansas, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Agriculture.

Robert S. Warshaw, of New York, to be Associate Director for National Drug Control Policy. **Pages 1218, 1220**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Deborah K. Kilmer, of Idaho, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

Richard H. Deane, Jr., of Georgia, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Georgia for the term of four years.

Randall Dean Anderson, of Utah, to be United States Marshal for the District of Utah for the term of four years.

Daniel C. Byrne, of New York, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of New York for the term of four years.

Brian Scott Roy, of Kentucky, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Kentucky for the term of four years.

Chester J. Straub, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will next meet on Wednesday, February 11.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

Wednesday, February 11, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1138-1220

Measures Introduced: Thirteen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1622-1634 and S. Con. Res. 74 and 75. **Page 1206**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Special Report entitled "History, Jurisdiction, and A Summary of Activities of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources During the 104th Congress". (S. Rept. No. 105-160) **Page 1205**

Human Cloning Prohibition Act: Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1601, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the use of somatic cell nuclear transfer technology for purposes of human cloning. **Page 1138**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate took the following action:

By 42 yeas to 54 nays (Vote No. 10), three-fifths of those Senator duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected a motion to close fur-

William James Ivey, of Tennessee, to be Chairperson of the National Endowment for the Arts for a term of four years.

James E. Hall, of Tennessee, to be Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board for a term of two years.

Petitions:

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—11)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:50 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, February 12, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 1218.)

Committee Meetings

BANKRUPTCY REFORM

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Regulatory Relief concluded hearings on proposals to reform current bankruptcy law and provide for consumer bankruptcy protection, including related provisions of S. 1301, H.R. 3150, H.R. 3146, and H.R. 2500, after receiving testimony from Robert Ginsburg, United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, on behalf of the National Bankruptcy Review Commission; James E. Smith, Union State Bank and Trust, Clinton, Missouri, on behalf of the American Bankers Association; Robert R. Davis, America's Community Bankers, Washington, D.C.; Dorinda Simpson, American Partners Federal Credit Union, Reidsville, North Carolina, on behalf of the Credit Union National Association; Bruce L. Hammonds, MBNA Corporation, Wilmington, Delaware; Oakley Orser, Belk Stores Services, Inc., Charlotte, North Carolina, on behalf of the National Retail Federation; Mark Lauritano, Wharton Economics Forecasting Associates Group, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Lawrence M. Ausubel, University of Maryland, College Park; William E. Brewer, Jr., Raleigh, North Carolina, on behalf of the National Association of Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys; and Gary Klein, National Consumer Law Center, Boston, Massachusetts.

EDUCATION REFORM

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded hearings to examine the Federal role in education reform, focusing on broad education reform strategies, including charter

schools, vouchers and private management and specific reforms to the current federal education establishment, after receiving testimony from Susan S. Westin, Associate Director, Advanced Studies and Evaluation Methodology, General Government Division, General Accounting Office; Chester E. Finn, Jr., Hudson Institute, Washington, D.C., former Assistant Secretary of Education; Chris Whittle, Edison Project, New York, New York; Eugene W. Hickok, Pennsylvania Department of Education, Harrisburg, on behalf of the Education Leaders Council; David L. Brennan, HOPE Academies, Cleveland, Ohio; and Henry R. Marockie, West Virginia Department of Education, Charleston, on behalf of the Council of Chief State School Officers.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Donald J. Barry, of Wisconsin, to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife, and Margaret Hornbeck Greene, of Kentucky, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Enrichment Corporation.

NATIONAL DISCOVERY TRAILS/HISTORIC LIGHTHOUSE PRESERVATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1069, to provide for the establishment of the American Discovery Trail as a component of the National Trails System, and S. 1403, to provide for the establishment of a national historic lighthouse preservation program, after receiving testimony from Katherine H. Stevenson, Associate Director, Cultural Resource Stewardship and Partnerships, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; Gloria Manning, Associate Deputy Chief, National Forest System, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Rear Adm. John T. Tozzi, USCG, Assistant Commandant, Coast Guard Systems, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation; Gordon S. Creed, Deputy Assistant Commissioner, Office of Property Disposal, Public Buildings Service, General Services Administration; Reese F. Lukei, Jr., American Discovery Trail Society, Virginia Beach, Virginia; David Lillard, American Hiking Society, Silver Spring, Maryland; John Viehman, Anyplace Wild Television, Camden, Maine; and Richard L. Moehl, Great Lakes Lighthouse Keepers Association, Dearborn, Michigan.

IRS REFORM

Committee on Finance: Committee resumed hearings on proposals and recommendations to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service, including a related measure H.R. 2676, focusing on proposals to reform the innocent spouse tax rules, receiving testimony from Richard Beck, New York Law School, Elizabeth Cockrell, and Svetlana Pejanovic, all of New York, New York; David Keating, National Taxpayers Union, Alexandria, Virginia; Marjorie O'Connell, O'Connell & Associates, Washington, D.C.;

Karen Andreasen, Tampa, Florida; and Josephine Berman, South Orange, New Jersey.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

KYOTO PROTOCOL—GLOBAL WARMING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee held hearings to examine the results of the recent Kyoto Conference and implications of the proposed Kyoto Protocol on global warming, focusing on the President's climate change technology initiative to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, receiving testimony from Stuart E. Eizenstat, Under Secretary of State for Economic, Business and Agricultural Affairs.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

AUTHORIZATION—AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE POLICY AND RESEARCH

Committee on Labor and Human Services: Subcommittee on Public Health and Safety concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for the Agency for Health Care Policy and Research, focusing on the current activities and recent products relating to the need for health care quality improvement, after receiving testimony from John M. Eisenberg, Administrator, Agency for Health Care Policy and Research, Department of Health and Human Services; David Edwards, Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, New York; Cary Sennett, National Committee for Quality Assurance, and Stuart Butler, Heritage Foundation, both of Washington, D.C.; Barry Greene, Medical Group Management Association, Denver, Colorado; Paul D. Clayton, Columbia University, New York, New York, on behalf of the American Medical Informatics Association; and William M. Tierney, Indiana University School of Medicine, Indianapolis.

CLASSIFIED DISCLOSURES

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session and ordered favorably reported an original bill to encourage the disclosure to Congress of certain classified and related information.

Prior to this action, committee concluded hearings to examine the constitutionality of certain classified disclosures to Congress as contained in Public Law 105-107, Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1998, after receiving testimony from Louis Fisher, Senior Specialist, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; and Randolph Moss, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Counsel, Department of Justice.

Res. 109-110, H. Con. Res. 211-217, and H. Res. 354, 356-359, were introduced. **Page 1280**

Reports Filed: One report was filed today as follows:

Consideration of H. Res. 355, Dismissing the Election Contest Against Loretta Sanchez (H. Rept. 105-416). **Page 1280**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Upton to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 1221**

Census Monitoring Board: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Mr. J. Kenneth Blackwell of Ohio and Mr. David W. Murray of Virginia on the part of the House to the Census Monitoring Board. **Page 1221**

Commission on Maintaining United States Nuclear Weapons Expertise: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Mr. Robert B. Barker of California and Mr. Roland F. Herbst of California on the part of the House to the Commission on Maintaining United States Nuclear Weapons Expertise. **Page 1221**

National Council on the Arts: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representatives Doolittle and Ballenger to the National Council on the Arts. **Page 1221**

Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Mr. Henry Givens of Missouri on the part of the House to the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance for a three-year term. **Page 1221**

Presidential Message—Economic Report of the President: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted his Economic Report—referred to the Joint Economic Committee and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-176). **Page 1224**

Recess: The House recessed at 3:28 p.m. and reconvened at 4:04 p.m. **Page 1225**

Consideration of Suspensions: The House agreed to H. Res. 352, the rule providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules by a yea and nay vote of 217 yeas to 191 nays, Roll No. 12. **Page 1225**

Recess: The House recessed at 4:32 p.m. and reconvened at 5:01 p.m. **Page 1228**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Daycare Fairness for Stay-at-Home Parents: H. Con. Res. 202, amended, expressing the sense of the Congress that the Federal Government should acknowledge the importance of at-home parents and should not discriminate against families who forego a second income in order for a mother or father to be at home with their children (passed by a yea and nay vote of 409 yeas with none voting "nay" and 3 voting "present", Roll No. 13; and agreed to amend the title); and **Page 1229**

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 28 public bills, H.R. 3175-3202; 2 private bills, H.R. 3203-3204; and 14 resolutions, H.J.

National Sea Grant College Program: S. 927, amended, to reauthorize the Sea Grant Program. **Page 1231**

Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 354, electing Representative Rogan to the Committee on the Judiciary and Representative Granger to the Committee on National Security. **Page 1243**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 1228 and 1236. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 3:00 p.m. and adjourned at 10:09 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FOREIGN OPERATIONS, EXPORT FINANCING AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs held a hearing on the Secretary of the Treasury. Testimony was heard from Robert E. Rubin, Secretary of the Treasury.

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation held a hearing on the National Transportation Safety Board. Testimony was heard from James E. Hall, Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board.

OVERSIGHT—DC AUDIT REPORT/CFO

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on the District of Columbia held an oversight hearing on the Fiscal Year 1997 District of Columbia Audit Report and the Chief Financial Officer. Testimony was heard from G. Edward DeSeve, Acting Deputy Director, OMB; the following officials of the District of Columbia: Marion Barry, Mayor; Linda Cropp, Chair, City Council and Anthony Williams, Chief Financial Officer; Andrew Brimmer, Chairman, D.C. Financial and Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority; and a public witness.

QUALITY CHILD CARE FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYEES ACT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held a hearing on H.R. 2982, Quality Child Care for Federal Employees Act. Testimony was heard from Susan Clampett, Associate Administrator, Management and Workplace Programs, GSA.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Twenty-eight bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1635–1662, S. Res. 176–178, and S. Con. Res. 76 and 77. **Page 1423**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1248, to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for vessel SUMMER BREEZE. (S. Rept. No. 105–161)

S. 1272, to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel ARCELLA. (S. Rept. No. 105–162)

S. 1235, to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel registered as State of Oregon official number OR 766 YE. (S. Rept. No. 105–163)

S. Res. 148, designating 1998 as the "Onate Cuatrocenenario", the 400th anniversary commemoration of the first permanent Spanish settlement in New Mexico, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Measures Passed:

Recognizing Vietnam POW's: Senate agreed to S. Res. 177, recognizing, and calling on all Americans to recognize, the courage and sacrifice of the members of the Armed Forces held as prisoners of war during the Vietnam conflict and stating that the American people will not forget that more than 2,000 members of the Armed Forces remain unaccounted for from the Vietnam conflict and will continue to press for the fullest possible accounting for all such members whose whereabouts are unknown.

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Legal Counsel Representation: Senate agreed to S. Res. 178, to authorize production of Senate documents and representation by Senate Legal Counsel in *United States f.u.b.o. Kimberly Industries, Inc., et al. v. Trafalgar House Construction, Inc. et al.*

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National Sea Grant College Program Reauthorization: Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to S. 927, to reauthorize the Sea Grant Program, clearing the measure for the President.

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Energy Policy and Conservation: Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 2472, to extend certain programs under

the Energy Policy and Conservation Act, with the following amendment: **Page 1420**

Coverdell (for Murkowski) Amendment No. 1645, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 1420**

Senate insisted on its amendment and requested a conference with the House thereon. **Page 1422**

Military Construction Appropriations—Veto Message—Agreement: A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the veto message to accompany H.R. 2631, disapproving the cancellations transmitted by the President on October 6, 1997, regarding Public Law 105-45, on Wednesday, February 25, 1998. **Page 1420**

Authority for Committees: Committees were authorized to file executive and legislative reports during the adjournment of the Senate on Thursday, February 19, 1998, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m., with an exception. **Page 1420**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Michael B. Thornton, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court for a term of fifteen years after he takes office.

Donald C. Lubick, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

L. Paige Marvel, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court for a term of fifteen years after she takes office.

Richard W. Fisher, of Texas, to be Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador. **Pages 1418, 1489**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

7 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine list in the Air Force. **Page 1488**

Nominations Withdrawn: Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nominations:

John H. Bingler, Jr., of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania, which was sent to the Senate on July 31, 1997.

Lynne Lasry, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California, which was sent to the Senate on February 12, 1997. **Pages 1422, 1489**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 5:31 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Friday, February 13, 1998, for a pro forma session.

Committee Meetings

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee resumed hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on Air Force programs, receiving testimony from F. Whitten Peters, Acting Secretary of the Air Force; and Gen. Michael E. Ryan, USAF, Chief of Staff of the Air Force.

Committee recessed subject to call.

UNFUNDED MANDATES

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded hearings on the implementation of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (P.L. 104-4), and on S. 389 and provisions of H.R. 1010, measures to establish a point of order against congressional consideration of bills that contain private-sector mandates with costs over the \$100 million threshold, regardless of whether federal funding is provided, and to direct the Congressional Budget Office to provide expanded cost information for private-sector mandates above the threshold, after receiving testimony from Representatives Condit and Portman; James L. Blum, Deputy Director, Congressional Budget Office; R. Bruce Josten, U.S. Chamber of Commerce, and Sharon Buccino, Natural Resources Defense Council, both of Washington, D.C.; and John Nicholson, Company Flowers, Arlington, Virginia.

NOMINATION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Winter D. Horton Jr., of Utah, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Bennett, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

SATELLITE CARRIER FEES

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1422, to provide for a one-year delay in an increase in the copyright fees satellite carriers pay for superstation and network affiliate signals delivered to satellite TV households, after receiving testimony from Fritz Attaway, Motion Picture Association of America, and Gene Kimmelman, Consumers Union, both of Washington, D.C.; Eddy W. Hartenstein, DirecTV, Inc., El Segundo, California; and Larry Wetsit, Nemont Telephone Cooperative, Inc./Nemont Communications, Inc., Scobey, Montana.

AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Aviation concluded hearings on proposed

legislation authorizing funds for the Airport Improvement Program, after receiving testimony from Todd Hauptli, American Association of Airport Executives, Alexandria, Virginia; David Plavin, Airports Council International-North America, and Edward A. Merlis, Air Transport Association of America, both of Washington, D.C.; Robert Kunkel, National Association of State Aviation Officials, Silver Spring, Maryland; and David Roberts, BAA Indianapolis, Indianapolis, Indiana.

PUBLIC LANDS/NATIONAL MONUMENTS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation concluded hearings on S. 62, to prohibit further extension or establishment of any national monument in Idaho without full public participation and an express Act of Congress, S. 477, to require an Act of Congress and the consultation with the Governor and State legislature prior to the establishment by the President of national monuments in excess of 5,000 acres, S. 691, to ensure that the public and the Congress have the right and opportunity to participate in decisions that affect the use and management of all public lands, H.R. 901, to preserve the sovereignty of the U.S. over public lands and acquired lands owned by the United States, and to preserve State sovereignty and private property rights in non-Federal lands surrounding those public lands and acquired lands, and H.R. 1127, to provide for congressional review of national monument status and consultation, after receiving testimony from John D. Leshy, Solicitor, Department of the Interior; Rafe Pomerance, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs; William Perry Pendley, Mountain States Legal Foundation, and John F. Shepherd, Holland and Hart, both of Denver, Colorado; and Edward M. Norton, National Trust for Historic Preservation, and Theodore Roosevelt, IV, Lehman Brothers, on behalf of the National Parks and Conservation Association, both of Washington, D.C.

ASIAN FINANCIAL CRISIS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee held hearings to examine the International Monetary Fund's role in the Asia financial crisis, receiving testimony from Robert E. Rubin, Secretary, and Lawrence H. Summers, Deputy Secretary, both of the Department of the Treasury; and Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ADOPTION REFORM

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring, and the District of Columbia concluded hearings to examine certain recommendations to reform the adoption and foster care system in the District of Columbia, after receiving testimony from Representative Camp; Rochelle

Chronister, Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services, Topeka; and Ernestine F. Jones, District of Columbia Child and Family Services, Judith Meltzer, Center for the Study of Social Policy, Thomas Wells, Consortium for Child Welfare, Debora D. Caruth, and Gordon Henry Gosselink, all of Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nominations of Jeremy D. Fogel, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, Edward F. Shea, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington, Richard L. Young, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Indiana, Beverly Baldwin Martin, to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of Georgia, and Hiram Arthur Contreras, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of Texas; and

S. Res. 148, designating 1998 as the "Oñate Cuatrocenenario", the 400th anniversary commemoration of the first permanent Spanish settlement in New Mexico, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

AUTHORIZATION—EDUCATION OF THE DEAF ACT

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for Gallaudet University and the National Technical Institute for the Deaf as contained in the Education of the Deaf Act, after receiving testimony from Judith E. Heumann, Assistant Secretary of Education for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services; I. King Jordan, Gallaudet University, Robert R. Da Vila, National Technical Institute for the Deaf, Sarah E. Snyder, Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf, and Nancy J. Bloch, National Association of the Deaf, all of Washington, D.C.; Megan Clancy, Boston, Massachusetts; Mollie Easter, Algona, Iowa; Rebecca Ellis, Putney, Vermont; Meghan Rainone, Marlton, New Jersey; Matthew Hamill, Loveland, Ohio; and Kathryn Hoheusle, Bethel, New York.

IRS REFORM: TAXPAYER RIGHTS

Committee on Small Business: Committee held hearings on proposals to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service and improve taxpayer rights, including the proposed Putting the Taxpayer First Act of 1998, receiving testimony from C. Virginia Kirkpatrick, CVK Personnel Management and Training Specialists, and Edith B. Quick, Quick Tax and Accounting Service, both of St. Louis, Missouri; Ron Morgan, Husch and Eppenberger, Kansas City, Missouri; Roger N. Harris, Padgett Business Services, Athens, Georgia; Jack Doll, Marjon, Inc., Frederick, Maryland, on behalf of the National Federation of Independent Business; and Nancy Workman, Workman

Construction Company, and Elizabeth A. Nielson, Nielson & Associates, both of Salt Lake City, Utah.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

TOBACCO SETTLEMENT: NATIVE AMERICAN PROVISIONS

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on proposed tobacco settlement provisions with regard to tobacco-related activities on Indian lands as contained in S. 1414 and S. 1530 (both pending on Senate calendar), and S. 1415, bills to reform and restructure the process by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, after receiving testimony from W. Craig Vanderwagen, Director, Clinical and Preventive Services, Office of Public Health, Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services; Thomas LeClaire, Director, Office of Tribal Justice, Department of Justice; Washington State Attorney General Christine Gregoire, Olympia; Colorado Attorney General Gale Norton, Denver; Gary Lasley, Omaha Tribe of Nebraska, Macy; Mark Hutton, Hutton & Hutton, Wichita, Kansas, on behalf of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe; Alex Tallchief Skibine, University of Utah College of Law, Salt Lake City; and Franklin Ducheneaux, Ducheneaux, Taylor & Associates, Washington, D.C.

Suspension Failed—Voter Eligibility Verification Act: By a yea and nay vote of 210 yeas to 200 nays (with two-thirds required for passage), Roll No. 17, the House failed to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 1428, amended, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to establish a system through which the Commissioner of Social Security and the Attorney General respond to inquiries made by election officials concerning the citizenship of voting registration applicants and to amend the Social Security Act to permit States to require individuals registering to vote in elections to provide the individual's Social Security number.

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Recognizing POWs During Vietnam Conflict: The House agreed to H. Res. 360, recognizing the courage and sacrifice of the members of the Armed Forces held as prisoners of war during the Vietnam conflict.

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George Washington's Birthday Observance: Agreed that it be in order for the Speaker to appoint two members of the House, one upon the recommendation of the Minority Leader, to represent the House of Representatives at appropriate ceremonies for the observance of George Washington's birthday to be held on Monday, February 23, 1998.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday, February 25, 1998.

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Resignations—Appointments: Agreed that notwithstanding any adjournment of the House until Tuesday, February 24, 1998, the Speaker, Majority Leader and Minority Leader be authorized to accept resignations and to make appointments authorized by law or by the House.

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Recess: The House recessed at 3:40 and reconvened at 5:05 p.m.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 1319, 1333, 1334, and 1348. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and pursuant to H. Con. Res. 201, adjourned at 5:35 p.m. until 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 24 for Morning Hour Debates.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on the Secretary of Agriculture. Testimony was heard from Dan Glickman, Secretary of Agriculture.

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Bills Introduced: 40 public bills, H.R. 3205–3244; 1 private bill, H.R. 3245; and 10 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 218–222 and H. Res. 360–364, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: No reports were filed today.

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, the Reverend Dr. Donald F. Christian of Fairfax, Virginia.

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Journal: By a yea and nay vote of 353 yeas to 43 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 14, the House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Wednesday, February 11.

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Dismissing Election Contest: The House agreed to H. Res. 355, dismissing the election contest against Loretta Sanchez by a yea and nay vote of 378 yeas to 33 nays, Roll No. 16.

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By a yea and nay vote of 194 yeas to 215 nays, Roll No. 15, rejected the Hoyer motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on House Oversight with instructions to report it back to the House forthwith with an amendment to strike the preamble.

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LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on the Secretary of Labor. Testimony was heard from Alexis M. Herman, Secretary of Labor.

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative held a hearing on the Joint Committee on Printing. Testimony was heard from Representative Ney.

The Subcommittee also continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress and public witnesses.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction held an Overview hearing. Testimony was heard from William J. Lynn, III, Under Secretary (Comptroller), Department of Defense.

NATIONAL SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on National Security held a hearing on Medical Programs. Testimony was heard from Edward D. Martin, M.D., Acting Secretary, Health Affairs, Department of Defense.

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation held a hearing on the Office of Inspector General. Testimony was heard from Kenneth Meade, Inspector General, Department of Transportation; and John Anderson, Director, Transportation Issues, Resources, Community and Economic Development Division, GAO.

VA-HUD-INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies held a hearing on the following: Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board; DOD-Civil, Cemeterial Expenses, Army and on the Council on Environmental Quality. Testimony was heard from Paul Hill, Jr., Chair and CEO, Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board; the following officials of Arlington National Cemetery: John Metzler, Superintendent; Rory Smith, Budget Office; Claudia Tornblom, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, Management and Budget; John Zirschky, Acting Assistant Secretary, Civil Works, Department of the Army; and Kathleen McGinty, Chair, Council on Environmental Quality.

NAZI GOLD; COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Held a hearing on the restitution of art objects seized by the Nazi from Holocaust victims and on insurance claims of certain Holocaust victims and their heirs. Testimony was heard from Senators D'Amato, Specter and Torricelli; Representatives Foley and Engel; Stephen E. Weil, Emeritus Senior Scholar, Smithsonian Institution; and public witnesses.

The Committee also considered pending Committee business.

CLONING—LEGAL, MEDICAL, ETHICAL, AND SOCIAL ISSUES

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment held a hearing on Cloning: Legal, Medical, Ethical, and Social Issues. Testimony was heard from Senator Frist; Representative Ehlers; and public witnesses.

MOLTEN METAL TECHNOLOGY FUNDING

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on the Department of Energy's Funding of Molten Metal Technology. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

CONTRACT AGREEMENTS—OVERSIGHT INVESTIGATION—TEAMSTERS ELECTION

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Approved Contract Agreements with those providing services to the Committee in relation to the oversight investigation of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters election.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; PATIENT ACCESS ALTERNATIVE TREATMENTS; COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Ordered reported the following measures:

H.R. 3120, amended, to designate the United States Post Office located at 95 West 100 South Street in Provo, Utah, as the "Howard C. Nielson Post Office Building"; H.R. 2766, to designate the United States Post Office located at 215 East Jackson Street in Painsville, Ohio, as the "Karl Bernal Post Office Building"; H.R. 2773, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3750 North Kedzie Avenue in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Daniel J. Doffyn Post Office Building"; H.R. 2836, to designate the building of the United States Postal Service located at 180 East Kellogg Boulevard in Saint Paul, Minnesota, as the "Eugene J. McCarthy Post Office Building"; S. 916, to designate the United States Post Office building located at 750 Highway 28 East in Taylorsville, Mississippi, as the "Blaine H. Easton Post Office Building"; and S. 985, to designate the post office located at 194 Ward Street in Paterson, New Jersey, as the Larry Coby Post Office".

The Committee concluded hearings on Patient Access to Alternative Treatments: Beyond the FDA. Testimony was heard from Representatives DeFazio and Moran of Virginia; Ed Gochenour, Senator, State of Georgia; and public witnesses.

The Committee also considered pending committee business.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information,

and Technology approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 2982, Quality Child Care for Federal Employees.

Prior to this action, the Subcommittee concluded hearings on this legislation. Testimony was heard from Representative Gilman.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on H.R. 2883, Government Performance and Results Act Technical Amendments of 1997. Testimony was heard from J. Christopher Mihm, Assistant Director, Federal Management and Workforce Issues, General Government Division, GAO; G. Edward DeSeve, Acting Deputy Director, OMB; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—PENSION SECURITY

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Human Resources held an oversight hearing on Pension Security: DOL Erisa Enforcement and the Limited Scope Audit Exemption. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Labor: Olena Berg, Assistant Secretary, Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration; and Patricia Dalton, Deputy Inspector General; David L. Clark, Director, Audit Oversight and Liaison, GAO; and public witnesses.

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS BUDGET

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on the Administration's Fiscal Year 1999 International Affairs Budget request. Testimony was heard from Madeleine K. Albright, Secretary of State.

SRI LANKA ANNIVERSARY; CENTRAL ASIAN REPUBLICS—U.S. INTERESTS

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific approved for full Committee action H. Res. 350, congratulating the people of Sri Lanka on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of their nation's independence.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on U.S. Interests in the Central Asian Republics. Testimony was heard from Robert W. Gee, Assistant Secretary, Policy, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights approved for full Committee action the following measures: H.R. 2678, amended, International Child Labor Elimination Act of 1997; and S. Con. Res. 37, expressing the sense of Congress that Little League Baseball Inc. was established to support and develop Little League baseball worldwide and should be entitled to all of the benefits and privileges available to nongovernmental international organizations.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on the following

bills: H.R. 2604, Religious Liberty and Charitable Donation Protection Act of 1997; and H.R. 2611, Religious Fairness in Bankruptcy Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Senator Grassley; Representatives Chenoweth and Packard; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; OVERSIGHT—INTERNET DOMAIN

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2652, Collections of Information Antipiracy Act; and H.R. 3163, Trade Dress Protection Act; and an oversight hearing on Internet Domain Name Trademark Protection. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

U.S. NATIONAL SECURITY THREATS

Committee on National Security: Held a hearing on Threats to United States National Security. Testimony was heard from the following former Directors of the CIA: James Woolsey; and John Deutch.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 2807, amended, Rhino and Tiger Product Labeling Act; H.R. 3113, Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Reauthorization Act of 1998; and H.R. 3164, amended, Hydrographic Services Improvement Act of 1998.

OVERSIGHT—TUCSON ROD AND GUN CLUB

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held an oversight hearing on Tucson Rod and Gun Club, Arizona. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Forest Service, USDA: Michael Dombeck, Chief, and Robert Joslin, Chief, National Forest Systems; and public witnesses.

ROAD FROM KYOTO

Committee on Science: Continued hearings on the Road from Kyoto Part 2: Kyoto and the Administration's Fiscal Year 1999 Budget request. Testimony was heard from John H. Gibbons, Assistant to the President for Science and Technology and Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy; Ernest J. Moniz, Under Secretary, Department of Energy; David M. Gardiner, Assistant Administrator, Policy, Planning and Evaluation, EPA; and Gary R. Bachula, Acting Under Secretary, Technology, Department of Commerce.

SPACE TRANSPORTATION TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics held a hearing on Aeronautics and Space Transportation Technology. Testimony was heard from the following officials of NASA: Richard S. Christiansen, Acting Associate Administrator, Aeronautics and Advanced Space Transportation Technology; and Gary E. Payton, Deputy

Associate Administrator (Space Transportation Technology); and a public witness.

REGULATORY FLEXIBILITY ACT COMPLIANCE

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing to examine Federal Agency compliance with section 610 of the Regulatory Flexibility Act. Testimony was heard from L. Nye Stevens, Director, Federal Management and Workforce Issues, GAO; Enrique Figueroa, Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA; Nancy E. McFadden, General Counsel, Department of Transportation; Debra A. Valentine, General Counsel, FTC; and a public witness.

VA BUDGET

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held a hearing on the Department of Veterans Affairs budget request for FY 1999. Testimony was heard from Frank Q. Nebeker, Chief Judge, U.S. Court of Veterans Appeals; Espiridion Borrego, Assistant Secretary, Veterans' Employment and Training Service, Department of Labor; representatives of veterans organizations; and a public witness.

REDUCE FEDERAL TAX BURDEN

Committee on Ways and Means: Concluded hearings on ways to reduce the Federal tax burden on the American public. Testimony was heard from Representatives Hulshof and Kucinich; and public witnesses.

AGRICULTURE TRADE BARRIERS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade held hearing on U.S. efforts to reduce barriers to trade in agriculture. Testimony was heard from Representative Thurman; Gus Schumacher, Under Secretary, Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services, USDA; Peter L. Scher, Special Trade Negotiator, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative; and public witnesses.

Friday, February 13, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Senate met at 10 a.m. in a pro forma session, and in accordance with H. Con. Res. 201, adjourned at 10:00:02 a.m., until 12 noon, on Monday, February 23, 1998.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will next meet on Tuesday, February 24.

Monday, February 23, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Six bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1663-1668, S.J. Res. 41, and S. Res. 179. **Page 1564**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Reported on Thursday, February 19, during the adjournment:

S. 1133, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses and to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105-164) **Page 1564**

Reported today:

S. 1668, to encourage the disclosure to Congress of certain classified and related information. (S. Rept. No. 105-165) **Page 1564**

Campaign Finance Reform: Senate began consideration of S. 1663, to protect individuals from having their money involuntarily collected and used for politics by a corporation or labor organization, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Page 1544**

Pending:

McCain Amendment No. 1646, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 1557**

A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the pending amendment on Tuesday, February 24, 1998, with a vote on a motion to table to occur thereon. **Page 1559**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Patrick A. Mulloy, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

Raymond L. Bramucci, of New Jersey, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor.

Seth D. Harris, of New York, to be Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor. **Page 1592**

Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nomination:

John Warren McGarry, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Federal Election Commission for a term expiring April 30, 2001, which was sent to the Senate on January 7, 1997. Page 1592

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon, and adjourned at 6:15 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, February 24, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record, on page 1592.)

Committee Meetings

SECURITIES LITIGATION REFORM

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Securities concluded hearings on S. 1260, to limit the conduct of securities class actions under State law by setting national standards for stocks that are traded on the national markets, after receiving testimony from Boris Feldman, Wilson, Sonsini, Goodrich & Rosati, Palo Alto, California; Richard W. Painter, Cornell Law School, Ithaca, New York; Michael Morris, Sun Microsystems, Inc., Mountain View, California; Mary Rouleau, Consumer Federation of America, and John F. Olson, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher, both of Washington, D.C.; and J. Harry Weatherly, Jr., Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, on behalf of the Government Finance Officers Association.

CHILD CARE SYMPOSIUM

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Subcommittee on Children and Families met to discuss certain child care and parenting issues, receiving testimony from Olivia A. Golden, Assistant Secretary for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services; Diane G. Fisher, Terrace Park, Ohio, and Anita K. Blair, Arlington, Virginia, both on behalf of the Independent Women's Forum, Arlington, Virginia; Jay Belsky, Pennsylvania State University, University Park; Armand M. Nicholi, Jr., Harvard Medical School/Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston; Danielle Crittenden, Women's Quarterly, Darcy Olsen, Cato Institute, Helen Blank, Children's Defense Fund, Charmaine Yoest, Family Research Council, Robert Rector, Heritage Foundation, all of Washington, D.C.; Ellen Galinsky, Families and Work Institute, New

York, New York; Maggie Gallagher, Institute for American Values, Westchester, New York; Wade Horn, National Fatherhood Initiative, Gaithersburg, Maryland; Heidi Brennan, Mothers at Home, and Brenda Hunter, both of Vienna, Virginia; Michael Lotito, Society for Human Resource Management, Alexandria, Virginia; and Stanley I. Greenspan, Reading, Massachusetts.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session. It will next meet on Tuesday, February 24.

Committee Meetings

EDUCATION STANDARDS AND TESTING IN THE STATES

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Held a hearing on Education Standards and Testing in the States. Testimony was heard from Terry Branstad, Governor, State of Iowa; Frank Brogan, Commissioner of Education, State of Florida; Michael Ward, Superintendent of Public Instruction, State of North Carolina; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT INVESTIGATION—TEAMSTERS ELECTION

Committee on Education and the Workforce: On February 19, the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations approved the issuance of subpoenas duces tecum regarding the oversight investigation of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters election.

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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1598–1682

Measures Introduced: Four bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1669–1672. Page 1654

Campaign Finance Reform: Senate continued consideration of S. 1663, to protect individuals from having their money involuntarily collected and used for politics by a corporation or labor organization, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Pending:

McCain Amendment No. 1646, in the nature of a substitute. (By 48 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 12), Senate failed to table the amendment.) **Pages 1602, 1617, 1642**

Snowe Amendment No. 1647 (to Amendment No. 1646), to amend those provisions with respect to communications made during elections, including communications made by independent organizations. **Pages 1640, 1646**

Lott Amendment No. 1648 (to Amendment No. 1647), in the nature of a substitute. **Page 1641**

Lott Amendment No. 1649, to prohibit the use of funds by the Federal Communications Commission to impose or enforce requirements with respect to electioneering communications. **Page 1641**

Lott Amendment No. 1650 (to Amendment No. 1649), of a perfecting nature. **Page 1641**

Motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with instructions. **Page 1642**

Lott Amendment No. 1651 (to the instructions in the motion to recommit), to prohibit the use of funds by the Federal Communications Commission to impose or enforce requirements with respect to electioneering communications. **Page 1642**

Lott Amendment No. 1652 (to Amendment No. 1651), in the nature of a substitute. **Page 1642**

Lott Amendment No. 1653 (to Amendment No. 1652), of a perfecting nature. **Page 1642**

A motion was entered to close further debate on Amendment No. 1647, listed above and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Thursday, February 26, 1998. **Page 1642**

A motion was entered to close further debate on Amendment No. 1646, listed above and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion could occur on Thursday, February 26, 1998. **Page 1642**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion could occur on Thursday, February 26, 1998. **Page 1654**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill and amendments pending thereto, on Wednesday, February 25, 1998.

Appointment:

Amtrak Reform Council: The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 105-134, announced the appointment of the following individuals to serve as members of the Amtrak Reform Council: Gilbert E. Carmichael, of Mississippi, Joseph Vranich, of Pennsylvania, and Paul M. Wyrich, of Virginia. **Page 1678**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report of an executive order ordering the Selected Reserve of the armed forces to active duty; referred to the Committee on Armed Services. (PM-97) **Page 1654**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

George McGovern, of South Dakota, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as U.S. Representative to the United Nations Agencies for Food and Agriculture.

Mary Beth West, of the District of Columbia, a Career Member of the Senior Executive Service, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Oceans and Space.

Melvin R. Wright, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Army and Marine Corps. **Page 1679**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—12) **Page 1640**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:28 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, February 25, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record, on page 1679.)

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Agriculture, receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respective activities from I. Miley Gonzalez, Under Secretary for Research, Education and Economics, Eileen Kennedy, Acting Deputy Under Secretary for Research, Education and Economics, Donald Bay, Administrator, National Agriculture Statistics Service, Floyd P. Horn, Administrator, Agricultural Research Service, Susan Offutt, Administrator, Economic Research Service, Bobby H. Robinson, Administrator, Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service, and Dennis

Kaplan, Deputy Director, Budget, Legislation, and Regulatory Systems, all of the Department of Agriculture.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, February 26.

APPROPRIATIONS—JUSTICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary, and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Justice, receiving testimony from Janet Reno, Attorney General, and Stephen R. Colgate, Assistant Attorney General for Administration, both of the Department of Justice.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, February 26.

OPERATIONAL READINESS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness held hearings to examine the status of the operational readiness of the United States military forces including the availability of resources and training opportunities necessary to meet our national security requirements, receiving testimony from Vice Admiral Herbert A. Browne, Jr., II, USN, Commander, III Fleet; Maj. Gen. Marvin R. Esmond, USAF, Commander, Air Force Air Warfare Center, Nellis Air Force Base; Maj. Gen. Ronald G. Richard, USMC, Commanding General, Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center; Brig. Gen. Dean W. Cash, USA, Commanding General, National Training Center and Fort Irwin; Col. Thomas Matthews, USA, Commander, Aviation Brigade, 101st Airborne Division; Capt. Thomas Kilcline, USN, Commander, Carrier Air Group 14; Col. Stephen Bozarth, USAF, Commander, 388th Fighter Wing Operations Group; and Col. Emerson N. Gardner, USMC, Commander, 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

SOCIAL SECURITY REFORM

Committee on the Budget: Committee's Task Force on Social Security concluded hearings to discuss the Administration's plans to safeguard Social Security in the context of the Federal budget, after receiving testimony from Franklin D. Raines, Director, Office of Management and Budget; Lawrence H. Summers, Deputy Secretary of the Treasury; and Kenneth S. Apfel, Commissioner, Social Security Administration.

GLOBAL TOBACCO SETTLEMENT

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee resumed hearings to examine the proposed settlement between State Attorneys General and tobacco companies to mandate a total reformation and restructuring of how tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed in America, receiving testimony from Geoffrey C. Bible, Philip Morris Companies, Inc., Steven F. Goldstone, RJR Nabisco, Inc., and Laurence A. Tisch, Loews Corporation, all of New York, New York; Nicholas G. Brookes, Brown and Williamson Tobacco

Corporation, Louisville, Kentucky; and Vincent A. Gierer, Jr., UST Inc., Greenwich, Connecticut.

Hearings continue on Thursday, February 26.

GETTYSBURG NATIONAL MILITARY PARK

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation concluded oversight hearings to examine the National Park Service's proposal to develop a visitor center and museum facility complex at the Gettysburg National Military Park in Pennsylvania, after receiving testimony from Senators Specter and Santorum; Denis P. Galvin, Deputy Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; Ralph W. Tarr, Andrews & Kurth, Washington, D.C., former Solicitor, Department of the Interior; Walter L. Powell, Gettysburg Battlefield Preservation Association, and Keith G. Dorman, Friends of the National Parks at Gettysburg, both of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania; Richard Moe, National Trust for Historic Preservation, Washington, D.C.; and Dennis E. Frye, Association for the Preservation of Civil War Sites, New York, New York.

NATO ENLARGEMENT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee held hearings to examine Administration views on the proposed Protocols to the North Atlantic Treaty of 1949 on the Accession of Poland, Hungary, and the Czech Republic (these protocols were opened for signature at Brussels on December 16, 1997, and signed on behalf of the United States and other parties to the North Atlantic Treaty) (Treaty Doc. 105-36), receiving testimony from Madeleine K. Albright, Secretary of State; William S. Cohen, Secretary of Defense; and Gen. Henry H. Shelton, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

REGULATORY IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee resumed hearings on S. 981, to provide for the analysis of major regulatory rules by Federal agencies, receiving testimony from Bruce Alberts, President, National Academy of Sciences and Chairman, National Research Council; Ohio Governor George V. Voinovich, Columbus, and Nebraska Governor Ben Nelson, Lincoln, both on behalf of the National Governors' Association; Milton Russell, Joint Institute for Energy and Environment/University of Tennessee, Knoxville; Nancy Donley, Chicago, Illinois, and Sue Doneth, Marshall, Michigan, both on behalf of Safe Tables Our Priority; Lester M. Crawford, Georgetown University, Warren Belmar, American Bar Association, Franklin E. Mirer, United Auto Workers, Karen Florini, Environmental Defense Fund, and Robert E. Litan, Brookings Institution, all of Washington, D.C.; and Michael A. Resnick, National School Boards Association, Alexandria, Virginia.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution, Federalism, and Property Rights concluded hearings to examine whether term limits or campaign finance reform would provide true political reform, after receiving testimony from Missouri State Representative Joan Bray, Jefferson City; James A. Buchen, Wisconsin Manufacturers and Commerce, Madison; Donald Simon, Common Cause, David Keene, American Conservative Union, and Paul Jacob, US Term Limits, all of Washington, D.C.; Bradley A. Smith, Capital University Law School, Columbus, Ohio; and Rod Pacheco, Riverside, California.

FOREIGN TERRORISTS IN AMERICA

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information concluded hearings to examine the extent of and policies to prevent foreign terrorist operations in America, focusing on certain incidences of terrorist attacks in the United States, including the bombing incident at the World Trade Center in New York City, after receiving testimony from Dale L. Watson, Section Chief for International Terrorism Operations, Federal Bureau of Investigation, and Walter D. Cadman, Counterterrorism Coordinator, Office of Field Operations, Immigration and Naturalization Service, both of the Department of Justice; Richard A. Rohde, Deputy Assistant Director, Office of Investigations, United States Secret Service, Department of the Treasury; J. Gilmore Childers, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe, New York, New York; Henry J. DePippo, Nixon Hargrave Devans & Doyle, Rochester, New York; Patrick J. Colgan, Jr., PBL Associates, Wyckoff, New Jersey; Benjamin Jacobson, Peregrine Group, Miami, Florida; and Steven Emerson, The Investigative Project, and Omar Ashmawy, both of Washington, D.C.

GLOBAL TOBACCO SETTLEMENT

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee resumed hearings to examine the scope and depth of the proposed settlement between State Attorneys General and tobacco companies to mandate a total reformation and restructuring of how tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed in America, and S. 1648, to provide for reductions in youth smoking, for advancements in tobacco-related research, and the development of safer tobacco products, receiving testimony from Charles N. Jeffress, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health; Lewis A. Grossman, American University Washington College of Law, Richard M. Cooper, Williams & Connolly, on behalf of R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, and Richard A. Levinson, American Public Health Association, all of Washington, D.C.; Jack E. Henningfield, Pinney Associates, Bethesda, Maryland, on behalf of the Society of Research on Nicotine and Tobacco; Jon D. Hanson, Harvard University Law School,

Cambridge, Massachusetts; and Kyle D. Logue, University of Michigan Law School, Ann Arbor.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATION

Committee on Veterans Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Togo Dennis West Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be Secretary of Veterans Affairs, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Faircloth, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 11 public bills, H.R. 3246–3256; 1 private bill, H.R. 3257; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 223 and H. Res. 365, were introduced. **Page 1764**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3116, to address the Year 2000 computer problems with regard to financial institutions, to extend examination parity to the Director of the Office of Thrift Supervision and the National Credit Union Administration, amended (H. Rept. 105–417);

H.R. 2460, to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to scanning receivers and similar devices, amended (H. Rept. 105–418);

H. Res. 366, providing for consideration of H.R. 2181, to ensure the safety of witnesses and to promote notification of the interstate relocation of witnesses by States and localities engaging in that relocation (H. Rept. 105–419); and

H. Res. 367, providing for consideration of H.R. 1544, to prevent Federal agencies from pursuing policies of unjustifiable nonacquiescence in, and relitigation of, precedents established in the Federal judicial circuits (H. Rept. 105–420). **Page 1764**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Barrett of Nebraska to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 1683**

Recess: The House recessed at 1:24 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m. **Page 1692**

Presidential Message—Activation of Selected Reserves: Read a message from the President wherein he authorized the Secretary of Defense and Secretary of Transportation, with respect to the Coast Guard, to order to active duty Selected Reserve units and individuals not assigned to units to augment the Active components in support of operations in and around southwest Asia—referred to the Committee on National Security and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–217). **Page 1694**

National Education Goals Panel: Read a letter from the Minority Leader wherein he announced his appointment

of Representative Martinez to the National Education Goals Panel. **Page 1694**

Amtrak Reform Council: Read a letter from the Minority Leader wherein he announced his appointment of Mr. S. Lee Kling of Villa Ridge, Missouri to the Amtrak Reform Council. **Page 1694**

George Washington's Birthday Observance: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representatives Davis of Virginia and Hoyer to represent the House of Representatives at wreath laying ceremonies at the Washington monument for the observance of George Washington's birthday held on Monday, February 23, 1998. **Page 1694**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Immigrant Status for NATO Civilian Employees: H.R. 429, amended, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for special immigrant status for NATO civilian employees in the same manner as for employees of international organizations; **Page 1694**

Year 2000 Computer Problems: H.R. 3116, amended, to address the Year 2000 computer problems with regard to financial institutions, to extend examination parity to the Director of the Office of Thrift Supervision and the National Credit Union Administration; **Page 1696**

Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reauthorization: H.Res. 365, regarding the bill S. 1150, the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reauthorization Act of 1998. Subsequently appointed as conferees: Representatives Smith of Oregon, Combust, Barrett of Nebraska, Stenholm, and Dooley; **Page 1700**

Howard C. Nielson Post Office Building: H.R. 3120, to designate the United States Post Office located at 95 West 100 South Street in Provo, Utah, as the "Howard C. Nielson Post Office Building." Agreed to amend the title; **Page 1706**

Karl Bernal Post Office Building: H.R. 2766, to designate the United States Post Office located at 215 East Jackson Street in Painesville, Ohio, as the "Karl Bernal Post Office Building;" **Page 1708**

Blaine H. Eaton Post Office Building: S. 916, to designate the United States Post Office building located at 750 Highway 28 East in Taylorsville, Mississippi, as the "Blaine H. Eaton Post Office Building"—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 1709**

Eugene J. McCarthy Post Office Building: H.R. 2836, to designate the building of the United States Postal Service located at 180 East Kellogg Boulevard in Saint Paul, Minnesota, as the "Eugene J. McCarthy Post Office Building;" **Page 1710**

Daniel J. Doffyn Post Office Building: H.R. 2773, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Serv-

ice located at 3750 North Kedzie Avenue in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Daniel J. Doffyn Post Office Building;" **Page 1712**

Larry Doby Post Office: S. 985, to designate the post office located at 194 Ward Street in Paterson, New Jersey, as the "Larry Doby Post Office"—clearing the measure for the President; and **Page 1713**

Minimum Sentences for Criminals Possessing Firearms: H.R. 424, to provide for increased mandatory minimum sentences for criminals possessing firearms (passed by a ye and nay vote of 350 yeas to 59 nays, Roll No. 18). **Page 1715**

Re-Referral of Executive Communication: It was made in order that the Committee on Agriculture be discharged from consideration of an Environmental Protection Agency rule on State Implementation Plans under the Clean Air Act, and that executive communication 6736 be re-referred to the Committee on Commerce. **Page 1706**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 1683.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One ye and nay vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appears on page 1720. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Farm and Foreign Agriculture Services. Testimony was heard from August Schumacher, Jr., Under Secretary, Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services, USDA; and Len Rogers, Acting Assistant Administrator, Humanitarian Response, AID, U.S. International Development Cooperation Agency.

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Service, and Education held a hearing on Employment and Training Administration/Veterans Employment. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Labor: Raymond J. Uhalde, Acting Assistant Secretary, Employment and Training; and Espiridion Borrego, Assistant Secretary, Veterans' Employment and Training Services.

VA-HUD-INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA-HUD and Independent Agencies held a hearing on Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation and on the National

Credit Union Administration. Testimony was heard from George Knight, Executive Director, Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation; and Norman E. D'Amours, Chairman, National Credit Union Administration.

CONDUCT OF MONETARY POLICY

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy held a hearing to review the Federal Reserve's conduct of monetary policy (Humphrey-Hawkins). Testimony was heard from Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System.

TEACHER TRAINING

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth and Families held a hearing on Teacher Training. Testimony was heard from Eugene Hickok, Secretary of Education, State of Pennsylvania; and public witnesses.

FEDERAL RETIREMENT COVERAGE CORRECTIONS ACT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Civil Service approved for full Committee action amended the Federal Retirement Coverage Corrections Act.

Prior to this action, the Subcommittee held a hearing on this measure. Testimony was heard from William E. Flynn, Associate Director, Retirement and Information Service, OPM; Roger W. Mehle, Executive Director, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—GULF WAR VETERANS HEALTH CONCERNS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Human Resources held a oversight hearing on ways to improve the federal government's approach to research into the health concerns of Gulf War veterans. Testimony was heard from John Feussner, M.D., Chief Research and Development Officer, Department of Veterans Affairs; Anna Johnson-Winegar, Director, Environmental and Life Sciences, Department of Defense; the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Drue Barrett, Environmental Hazards and Health Effects Division and William Reeves, M.D., Branch Chief, Viral Exanthems, both with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and Sheila Newton, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences; Donna Heivilin, Director, Planning and Reporting, GAO; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—REFUGEE PROGRAMS

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights held a hearing on Annual Oversight of Refugee Programs, Policies, and Budget. Testimony was heard from Julia Taft, Assist-

ant Secretary, Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration, Department of State; and public witnesses.

DEPOT ISSUES

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Readiness held a hearing on depot issues. Testimony was heard from Henry L. Hinton, Jr., Assistant Comptroller, GAO.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2223, Education Land Grant Act; H.R. 1728, National Park Service Administrative Amendment of 1997; and H.R. 2993, to provide for the collection of fees for the making of motion pictures, television productions, and sound tracks in National Park System and National Wildlife Refuge System units. Testimony was heard from Representative Hayworth; Sandra Key, Associate Deputy Chief, Forest Service, USDA; the following officials of the Department of the Interior: John M. Berry, Assistant Secretary, Policy Management and Budget; and Maureen Finnerty, Associate Director, Park Operations and Education, National Park Service; and public witnesses.

WITNESS PROTECTION AND INTERSTATE RELOCATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 2181, Witness Protection and Interstate Relocation Act of 1997. The rule provides that the bill will be considered by title, and each title will be considered as read. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representative McCollum.

FEDERAL AGENCY COMPLIANCE ACT

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 1544, Federal Agency Compliance Act. The rule makes in order the Committee on the Judiciary amendment in the nature of a substitute as an original bill for amendment purposes which shall be considered as read. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendment in the Congressional Record. The rule allows for the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides for one motion to

recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representative Gekas.

VETERAN'S LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Benefits held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 3039, Veterans' Transitional Housing Opportunities Act of 1997; and H.R. 3211, to amend title 38, United States Code, to enact into law eligibility requirements for burial at Arlington National Cemetery. Testimony was heard from John McLaurin, Deputy Assistant Secretary (Military Personnel Management and Equal Opportunity Policy), Department of the Army; Keith Pedigo, Director, Loan Guaranty Service, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; Raymond Boland, Department of Veterans Affairs, State of Wisconsin; representatives of veterans organizations; and a public witness.

TREASURY REPORT—INNOCENT SPOUSE RELIEF

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on the Treasury Department Report on Innocent Spouse Relief. Testimony was heard from Donald C. Lubick, Assistant Secretary, Tax Policy, Department of the Treasury; and Lynda D. Willis, Director, Tax Policy and Administration Issues, GAO.

ASIA TRADE ISSUES

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade held a hearing on Asia Trade Issues. Testimony was heard from Charlene Barshefsky, U.S. Trade Representative; Stuart E. Eizenstat, Under Secretary, Economic, Business and Agricultural Affairs, Department of State; David A. Lipton, Under Secretary, International Affairs, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

IMF AND INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC POLICY

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded hearings to examine the financing, procedures, administration, and economic impact of the International Monetary Fund, after receiving testimony from Timothy Geithner, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for International Affairs; Charles Calomiris, Columbia University, New York, New York; Allan Meltzer, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and Larry Lindsey, American Enterprise Institute, and C. Fred Bergsten, Institute for International Economics, both of Washington, D.C.

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Measures Introduced: Eight bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1673–1680 and S. Res. 180–183. **Page 1903**

Measures Passed:

Military Construction—Veto Message: By 78 yeas to 20 nays (Vote No. 13), two-thirds of the Senators voting having voted in the affirmative, H.R. 2631, disapproving the cancellations transmitted by the President on October 6, 1997, regarding Public Law 105–45, upon reconsideration, was passed, the objections of the President notwithstanding. **Pages 1857, 1895, 1899**

Honoring Harry Caray: Senate agreed to S. Res. 182, honoring the memory of Harry Caray. **Page 1931**

National Safe Place Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 96, proclaiming the week of March 15 through March 21, 1998, as National Safe Place Week". **Page 1933**

Congratulating Northeastern University: Senate agreed to S. Res. 183, congratulating Northeastern University on providing quality higher education in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for 100 years, from 1898–1998. **Page 1934**

Campaign Finance Reform: Senate continued consideration of S. 1663, to protect individuals from having their money involuntarily collected and used for politics by a corporation or labor organization, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

Snowe Amendment No. 1647 (to Amendment No. 1646), to amend those provisions with respect to communications made during elections, including communications made by independent organizations. (By 47 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 14), Senate earlier failed to table the amendment.) **Pages 1870, 1897**

Pending:

McCain Amendment No. 1646, in the nature of a substitute. (By 48 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 15), Senate failed to table the amendment.) **Pages 1870, 1897**

Lott Amendment No. 1649, to prohibit the use of funds by the Federal Communications Commission to impose or enforce requirements with respect to electioneering communications.

Lott Amendment No. 1650 (to Amendment No. 1649), of a perfecting nature.

Motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with instructions.

Lott Amendment No. 1651 (to the instructions in the motion to recommit), to prohibit the use of funds by the Federal Communications Commission to impose or enforce requirements with respect to electioneering communications.

Lott Amendment No. 1652 (to Amendment No. 1651), in the nature of a substitute.

Lott Amendment No. 1653 (to Amendment No. 1652), of a perfecting nature.

Lott Amendment No. 1674 (to Amendment No. 1646), to prohibit the use of funds by the Federal Communications Commission to impose or enforce requirements with respect to electioneering communications.

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Lott Amendment No. 1675 (to Amendment No. 1674), of a perfecting nature.

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Withdrawn:

Lott Amendment No. 1648 (to Amendment No. 1647), in the nature of a substitute.

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Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Thursday, February 26, 1998, with cloture votes scheduled to occur on McCain Amendment No. 1646 and the bill.

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report of the notice of the continuation of the national emergency relating to Cuba and of the emergency authority relating to the regulation of the anchorage and movement of vessels; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM-98).

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Transmitting a report on the Loan Guarantees to Israel Program; referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM-99).

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Transmitting the report of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting; referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. (PM-100).

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Sue Bailey, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

William C. Apgar, Jr., of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Michael J. Copps, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

Ruth Y. Goldway, of California, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Rate Commission for a term expiring November 22, 2002.

Deidre A. Lee, of Oklahoma, to be Administrator for Federal Procurement Policy.

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—15)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 7:58 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Thursday, February 26, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record, on page 1934.)

Committee Meetings

OPERATIONAL READINESS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness concluded hearings to examine the status of the operational readiness of the United States Military Forces including the availability of resources and training opportunities necessary to meet our national security requirements, after receiving testimony from Gen. William W. Crouch, USA, Vice Chief of Staff, United States Army; Adm. Donald L. Pilling, USN, Vice Chief of Naval Operations; Gen. Ralph E. Eberhart, USAF, Vice Chief of Staff, United States Air Force; Gen. Richard I. Neal, USMC, Assistant Commandant, United States Marine Corps; Lt. Gen. John W. Hendrix, USA, Commanding General, V Corps, U.S. Army Europe and VII Army; Vice Adm. Steve Abbot, USN, Commander, Sixth Fleet; Lt. Gen. John W. Handy, USAF, Commander, 21st Air Force, Air Mobility Command; and Lt. Gen. Carlton W. Fulford, Jr., USMC, Commanding General, 1 Marine Expeditionary Force.

MONETARY POLICY

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine the Federal Reserve's report on the economic situation and monetary policy of the United States, after receiving testimony from Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

BUDGET PROJECTIONS

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded hearings to examine long term budget projections, focusing on overall policy and Federal spending, after receiving testimony from Paul L. Posner, Director, Budget Issues, Accounting and Information Management Division, General Accounting Office; former Representative Bill Frenzel and Timothy Penny, both on behalf of the Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget, and C. Eugene Steuerle, Urban Institute, all of Washington, D.C.; and Uwe E. Reinhardt, Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey.

AUTHORIZATION-RAIL SAFETY

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Ma-

rine concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Rail Safety Act, after receiving testimony from Jolene M. Molitoris, Administrator, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation; Robert T. Francis II, Chairman, and Robert Lauby, Director, Office of Railroad Safety, both of the National Transportation Safety Board; M.B. Oglesby, Jr., Association of American Railroads, and Dan Pickett, AFL-CIO, both of Washington, D.C.; Gerri L. Hall, Operation Lifesaver, Inc., Alexandria, Virginia; and Lonnie E. Blaydes, Jr., Dallas Area Rapid Transit, Dallas, Texas, on behalf of the American Public Transit Association.

SPECIALTY FOREST PRODUCTS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management concluded oversight hearings to examine the harvest of specialty forest products from national forests, focusing on the Forest Service's progress and plans for managing specialty forest products, how Native Americans will be able to obtain the plant materials they depend on, and how community-based solutions can protect environmental values while meeting the social and economic needs of local communities, after receiving testimony from Ronald Stewart, Deputy Chief for Programs and Legislation, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Christina Johnson, Trinity Alps Botanicals, Burnt Ranch, California; Victor Benavides, Forest Workers and Harvesters Alliance, White Salmon, Washington; Melissa Borsting, Rogue Institute for Ecology and Economy, Ashland, Oregon; Bodi K. Shaw, Confederated Tribes, Warm Springs, Oregon; Carla HighEagle, Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee, Lapwai, Idaho; Rebecca Templin Richards, University of Montana, Missoula; Chris C. Schnepf, University of Idaho, Coeur d'Alene; Keith A. Blatner, Washington State University, Pullman; and Jason W. Clay, World Wildlife Fund, Washington, D.C.

IRS REFORM

Committee on Finance: Committee resumed hearings on proposals and recommendations to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service, including a related measure H.R. 2676, receiving testimony from Paul C. Light, Pew Charitable Trusts, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and Ronald P. Sanders, George Washington University, Thomas H. Stanton, National Academy of Public Administration, G. Jerry Shaw, Senior Executives Association, Robert M. Tobias, National Treasury Employees Union, and Ray Woolner, Professional Managers Association, all of Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Robert T. Grey, Jr., of Virginia, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as United States Representative to the Conference

on Disarmament, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

CASPIAN SEA OIL PIPELINE

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on International Economic Policy, Export and Trade Promotion held hearings on the implementation of U.S. energy policy in the Caspian region, focusing on the construction of a Western Caspian Sea oil pipeline, receiving testimony from Robert W. Gee, Assistant Secretary of Energy for Policy and International Affairs; Jan Kalicki, Counselor to the Department of Commerce; Lawrence R. Fisher, Fluor-Daniel Incorporated, Sugar Land, Texas; and Charles William Maynes, Eursia Foundation, Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

HIGH-TECH WORKER SHORTAGE AND IMMIGRATION POLICY

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings to examine United States immigration policy with regard to labor market conditions in high-technology industries, and the Administration's proposal to raise the annual quota of H1-B visas, which enable skilled engineers to enter the United States to work for American high-tech companies, after receiving testimony from Raymond J. Uhalde, Acting Assistant Secretary of Labor for Employment and Training; T.J. Rodgers, Cypress Semiconductor Corporation, San Jose, California; Michael Murray, Microsoft Corporation, Robert I. Lerman, Urban Institute, both of Washington, D.C.; Stephen H. Leven, Texas Instruments Incorporated, Dallas, on behalf of the American Electronics Association; Kenneth M. Alvares, Sun Microsystems, Inc., Palo Alto, California; Stephen Director, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor; Peter R. Genereaux, Utah Information Technologies Association, Midvale; Harris N. Miller, Information Technology Association of America, Arlington, Virginia; and John R. Reinert, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers—United States of America, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Susan Graber, of Oregon, and Richard A. Paez, of California, each to be a United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Sam A. Lindsay, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas, Hilda G. Tagle, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas, and Judith M. Barzilay, of New Jersey, and Delissa A. Ridgway, of the District of Columbia, each to be a Judge of the United States Court of International Trade, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Ms. Graber was introduced by Senators Smith and Wyden, Mr. Paez was introduced by Senators Feinstein and Boxer, Mr. Lindsay was introduced by Senator Hutchison, Ms. Tagle was introduced by Senator Hutchison and Rep-

representative Ortiz and Eddie Bernice Johnson, and Ms. Ridgway was introduced by District of Columbia Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton.

QUALITY SCHOOL-AGE CARE

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee concluded hearings to examine certain initiatives to mobilize school and community resources to provide quality programs to address the needs of students during non-school hours, including the Administration's proposed expansion of the 21st Century Community Learning Centers program designed to provide funds to school-community partnerships to start up or expand after-school, extended learning programs for school-age children, after receiving testimony from Gerald N. Tirozzi, Assistant Secretary of Education for Elementary and Secondary Education; Shepherd Smith, Institute for Youth Development, Washington, D.C.; Sue Luck, Greater Burlington YMCA, Burlington, Vermont; Brad Luck, Essex Teen Center, Essex Junction, Vermont; Arthur W. Sheninger, Hatchery Hill School, Hackettstown, New Jersey, on behalf of the National Association of Elementary School Principals; Linda Childears, Young American's Bank, Denver, Colorado, on behalf of the National Assembly of National Voluntary Health and Human Welfare Organizations; and Thomas C. Frazier, Baltimore City Police Department, Baltimore, Maryland, on behalf of Fight Crime: Invest in Kids.

BUDGET REQUESTS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee concluded oversight hearings to review the strategic plan implementation, including the budget requests for fiscal year 1999, after receiving testimony on behalf of funds for their operations from Gary Sisco, Secretary of the Senate; Gregory S. Casey, Senate Sergeant at Arms; and Alan M. Hantman, Architect of the Capitol.

INDIAN PROGRAMS BUDGET

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee held hearings on the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 1999 for Indian programs, receiving testimony from Kevin Gover, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs; Michael H. Trujillo, Assistant Surgeon General, and Director, Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services; Jacqueline L. Johnson, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development for Native American Programs; W. Ron Allen, Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe, Sequim, Washington, on behalf of the National Congress of American Indians; Chester Carl, Navajo Nation's Housing Authority, Window Rock, Arizona, on behalf of the National American Indian Housing Council; Julia A. Davis, Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board, Portland, Oregon; John Cheek, National Indian Education Association, Alexandria, Virginia; and Buford Rolin, National Indian Health Board, Denver, Colorado.

Committee will meet again tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 21 public bills, H.R. 3258–3278; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 224, and H. Res. 369 were introduced.

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Reports Filed: One report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 368, providing for consideration of H.R. 2460, to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to scanning receivers and similar devices (H. Rept. 105–421).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Emerson to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Federal Agency Compliance Act: The House passed H.R. 1544, to prevent Federal agencies from pursuing policies of unjustifiable nonacquiescence in, and relitigation of, precedents established in the Federal judicial circuits by a recorded vote of 241 ayes to 176 noes, Roll No. 24.

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Rejected:

The Nadler amendment that sought to limit the scope of the bill to agency actions which involve Federal benefits programs or the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (rejected by a recorded vote of 172 ayes to 238 noes, Roll No. 19);

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The Jackson-Lee amendment that sought to exempt the adherence to court precedent if the agency matter is under consideration by a U.S. court of appeals and involves issues of civil rights, labor rights, or environmental protection (rejected by a recorded vote of 164 ayes to 253 noes, Roll No. 22); and

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The Jackson-Lee amendment that sought to exempt an agency from bill provisions for actions involving a commercial transaction with a business located in a foreign country (rejected by a recorded vote of 154 ayes to 258 noes, Roll No. 23).

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The Cox of California amendment, was offered but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to apply certain provisions to both section 707, adherence to court of appeals precedent or section 708, supervision of litigation; limiting unnecessary relitigation of legal issues.

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Earlier, agreed to H. Res. 367, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by a voice vote.

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Witness Protection and Interstate Relocation Act: The House passed H.R. 2181, to ensure the safety of witnesses and to promote notification of the interstate relocation of witnesses by States and localities engaging in that relocation by a ye and nay vote of 366 yeas to 49 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 21.

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Rejected the Conyers amendment that sought to have the court change from a death sentence to a life imprisonment sentence if there is any doubt that the defendant

committed the offense (rejected by a recorded vote of 113 ayes to 300 noes, Roll No. 20); and **Page 1818**

Rejected the Scott amendment that sought to require that a jury consider as a mitigating factor whether the evidence, although sufficient to permit a finding of guilt, removes all doubt about the defendant's guilt. **Page 1820**

H. Res. 366, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to earlier by a voice vote.

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Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 369, electing Representative Velázquez to the Committee on Small Business and for the Committee on Banking and Financial Services provides that the powers and duties conferred upon the ranking minority member by House rules shall be exercised by the next senior member until otherwise ordered by the House. **Page 1824**

Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

National Emergency Re Cuba: Message wherein he transmits his notice concerning the national emergency with respect to the Government of Cuba—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–218); **Page 1824**

Loan Guarantees to Israel Program: Message wherein he transmits his report concerning the Loan Guarantees to Israel Program—referred to the Committee on International Relations; and **Page 1824**

Corporation for Public Broadcasting: Message wherein he transmitted his report of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting—referred to the Committee on Commerce. **Page 1836**

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea and nay vote and five recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appears on pages 1805, 1818, 1820, 1821, 1822, and 1823.

There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 5:48 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on FDA. Testimony was heard from Michael A. Friedman, M.D., Lead Deputy Commissioner, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary held a hearing on the Legal

Services Corporation and on the Secretary of State. Testimony was heard from the following officials from Legal Service Corporation; Douglas Eakelely, Chairman; John Erlernborn, Vice Chairman; and John McKay, President; and Madeleine K. Albright, Secretary of State.

FOREIGN OPERATIONS, EXPORT FINANCING, AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs held a hearing on Security Assistance. Testimony was heard from Walter B. Slocombe, Under Secretary, Policy, Department of Defense; and John Holum, Acting Under Secretary, Arms Control and International Security Affairs, Department of State.

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on Pension Agencies, the Office of Inspector General (Labor), the Employment Standards Administration and Bureau of Labor Statistics. Testimony was heard from the following officials from the Department of Labor: Olena Berg, Assistant Secretary, Pension Welfare Benefits Administration; Charles C. Masten, Inspector General; Katherine G. Abraham, Commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics; Bernard E. Anderson, Assistant Secretary, Employment Standards Administration; and David M. Strauss, Executive Director, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction held a hearing on Army Construction. Testimony was heard from Alma Boyd Moore, Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Department of Army.

NATIONAL SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on National Security held a hearing on FY 1999, Navy/Marine Corps Budget Overview. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Navy: John H. Dalton, Secretary; Adm. Jay L. Johnson, USN, Chief of Naval Operations; and Gen. Charles C. Krulak, USMC, Commandant of the Marine Corps.

The Subcommittee also met in executive session to hold a hearing on FY 1999, Navy/Marine Corps Acquisition Program. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Navy: John W. Douglass, Assistant Secretary (Research, Development and Acquisition); Vice Adm. Conrad C. Lautenbacher, Jr., USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Resources, Warfare Requirements and Assessments); and Lt. Gen. Jeffrey W. Oster, USMC, Deputy Chief of Staff, Programs and Resources.

TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE, AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government held a hearing on Treasury Law Enforcement. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Robert Rubin, Secretary; Raymond Kelly, Under Secretary, Enforcement; Sam Banks, Acting Commissioner, Customs Service; John Magaw, Director, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms; Lew Merletti, Director, Secret Service; William Baity, Deputy Director, Financial Crime Enforcement Network; and Ralph Basham, Director, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center.

VA-HUD-INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies held a hearing on the Consumer Product Safety Commission and on the Consumer Information Center. Testimony was heard from Ann Brown, Chairman, Consumer Product Safety Commission; and Teresa Nasif, Director, Consumer Information Center, GSA.

TOBACCO SETTLEMENT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on the tobacco settlement. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

CONFRONTING IRAQ—U.S. OPTIONS

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on U.S. Options in Confronting Iraq. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

CHINA—HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION; PERUVIAN POPULATION CONTROL PROGRAM

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights approved for full Committee action amended H.Res. 364, urging introduction and passage of a resolution on the human rights situation in the People's Republic of China at the 54th Session of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on the Peruvian Population Control Program. Testimony was heard from Mark Schneider, Assistant Administrator, Latin America and the Caribbean, AID, U.S. International Development Cooperation Agency; and public witnesses.

REGULATORY ANALYSIS CREATION ACT; OVERSIGHT: U.S. ATTORNEY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 1704, Congressional Office of Regulatory Analysis Creation Act.

The Subcommittee also held an oversight hearing on the Department of Justice's Executive Office for U.S. Attorney, Environment and Natural Resources Division, and Executive Office for U.S. Trustees. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Donna A. Bucella, Director, Executive Office for U.S. Attorneys; Karen E. Schreier, U.S. Attorney for the District of South Dakota and Vice Chairman, Attorney General's Advisory Committee for U.S. Attorneys; Lois Schiffer, Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division; and Joseph Patchan, Director, Executive Office for the U.S. Trustees.

FAIR HOUSING AMENDMENTS; OVERSIGHT: CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution approved for full Committee action H.R. 3206, Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1998.

The Subcommittee also held an oversight hearing regarding the Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Department of Justice. Testimony was heard from Bill Lann Lee, Acting Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

MARIJUANA—SHOULD NOT BE LEGALIZED FOR MEDICINAL USE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime approved for full Committee action a proposed resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that marijuana is a dangerous and addictive narcotic and should not be legalized for medicinal use.

THREAT ASSESSMENT BRIEFING

Committee on National Security: Met in executive session to hold a threat assessment briefing. The Committee was briefed by John A. Gordon, Deputy Director, CIA; and Lt. Gen. Patrick M. Hughes, USA, Director, Defense Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense.

DEPOT ISSUES

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Readiness concluded hearings on depot issues. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: J.S. Gansler, Under Secretary, Acquisition and Technology; and Darleen A. Druyan, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Air Force, Acquisition and Management, Department of the Air Force.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2756, Kake Tribal Corporation Land Exchange Act; H.R. 2812, Unrecognized Southeast Alaska Native Communities Recognition Act; H.R. 2924, to amend the Alaskan Native Claims Settlement Act to provide for selection of lands by certain veterans of the Vietnam era and by the Elim Native Corporation; H.R. 3087,

to require the Secretary of Agriculture to grant an easement to Chugach Alaska Corporation; and H.R. 3088, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, regarding Huna Totem Corporation public interest land exchange. Testimony was heard from Eleanor Towns, Director of Lands, Forest Service, USDA; John R. Garamendi, Deputy Secretary, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

FOREST SERVICE ROADLESS AREA MORATORIUM

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held an oversight hearing on the Administration's Forest Service Roadless Area Moratorium. Testimony was heard from Representatives Hutchinson, Oberstar, Herger, Stupak and Taylor of North Carolina; Mike Dombeck, Chief, Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

WIRELESS TELEPHONE PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 2460, Wireless Telephone Protection Act. The rule waives clause 2(I)(6) of rule XI requiring a three-day layover of the committee report. The rule makes in order the Judiciary Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute as an original bill for the purpose of amendment, each section of which shall be considered as read. The rule accords priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule further allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Finally, the rule provides that after passage of the House bill, it will be in order to move to insert the House-passed language in the Senate bill number. Testimony was heard from Representative McCollum.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing on the following: Department of Energy FY 1999 Budget Authorization Request; H.R. 1806, to provide for the consolidation of the Office of Fossil Energy and the Office of Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency of the Department of Energy; and S. 965, to amend title II of the Hydrogen Future Act of 1996 to extend an authorization contained therein. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: Martha A. Krebs, Director, Office of Energy Research; William D. Magwood, Associate Director, Policy and Analysis, Office of Nuclear Energy, Science and Technology; Patricia Fry Godley, Assistant Secretary, Fossil Energy; Peter N. Brush, Acting Assistant Secretary, Environment, Safety and Health; Dan W. Reicher, Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency and Re-

newable Energy; and James M. Owendoff, Acting Assistant Secretary, Environmental Management.

FY 1999 BUDGET REQUEST NASA

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics held an oversight hearing on FY 1999 Budget Request: The Sciences at NASA. Testimony was heard from the following officials of NASA: Wesley T. Huntress, Associate Administrator, Space Science; Arnauld E. Nicogossian, Associate Administrator, Life and Microgravity Sciences and Applications; Ghassem Asrar, Associate Administrator, Earth Science; and Joseph Rothenberg, Associate Administrator, Human Space.

REDUCING SMALL BUSINESS TAX BURDEN

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing on Reducing America's Small Business Tax Burden. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

GSA BUDGET

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Economic Development met and agreed to postpone a hearing on the GSA FY 1999 Budget, and related issues.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 3130, Child Support Performance and Incentive Act of 1998; and H.R. 1432, African Growth and Opportunity Act.

The Committee also held a hearing on the revenue provisions in the Administration's FY 1999 Budget. Testimony was heard from Lawrence H. Summers, Deputy Secretary, Department of the Treasury.

BUDGET OVERVIEW BRIEFING

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a briefing on Budget Overview. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

RADIO FREQUENCY WEAPONS

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded hearings to examine the proliferation and use of radio frequency weapons technology, and their potential impact on United States infrastructure and economy after receiving testimony from James F. O'Bryon, Deputy Director, Operational Test and Evaluation Live Fire Testing, Office of the Secretary of Defense; Ira W. Merritt, Missile Defense and Space Technology Center, U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command, Huntsville, Alabama; and R. Alan Kehs, U.S. Army Research Laboratories, Adelphi, Maryland; and David Schriener, Ridgecrest, California.

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Measures Introduced: Ten bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1681–1690 and S. Res. 184 and 185. **Page 2042**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 1534, to simplify and expedite access to the Federal courts for injured parties whose rights and privileges, secured by the United States Constitution, have been deprived by final actions of Federal agencies, or other government officials or entities acting under color of State law; to prevent Federal courts from abstaining from exercising Federal jurisdiction in actions where no State law claim is alleged; to permit certification of unsettled State law questions that are essential to resolving Federal claims arising under the Constitution; and to clarify when government action is sufficiently final to ripen certain Federal claims arising under the Constitution, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. Res. 181, expressing the sense of the Senate that on March 2nd, every child in America should be in the company of someone who will read to him or her.

S. 1244, to amend title 11, United States Code, to protect certain charitable contributions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1605, to establish a matching grant program to help States, units of local government, and Indian tribes to purchase armor vests for use by law enforcement officers, with an amendment. **Page 2040**

Measures Passed:

Read Across America Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 181, expressing the sense of the Senate that on March 2nd, every child in America should be in the company of someone who will read to him or her. **Page 2104**

Onate Cuatrocenenario: Senate agreed to S. Res. 148, designating 1998 as the "New Mexico Cuatrocenenario", the 400th anniversary commemoration of the first permanent Spanish settlement in New Mexico. **Page 2104**

Campaign Finance Reform: Senate continued consideration of S. 1663, to protect individuals from having their money involuntarily collected and used for politics by a corporation or labor organization, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Page 2016**

Pending:

McCain Amendment No. 1646, in the nature of a substitute.

Lott Amendment No. 1649, to prohibit the use of funds by the Federal Communications Commission to im-

pose or enforce requirements with respect to electioneering communications.

Lott Amendment No. 1650 (to Amendment No. 1649), of a perfecting nature.

Lott Amendment No. 1674 (to Amendment No. 1646), to prohibit the use of funds by the Federal Communications Commission to impose or enforce requirements with respect to electioneering communications.

Lott Amendment No. 1675 (to Amendment No. 1674), of a perfecting nature.

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 51 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 16), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to close further debate on Amendment No. 1646, listed above. **Page 2016**

By 45 yeas to 54 nays (Vote No. 17), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to close further debate on the bill. **Page 2016**

Subsequently, the bill, with certain of the pending amendments, was referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

ISTEA Authorization: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1173, to authorize funds for construction of highways, for highway safety programs, and for mass transit programs, with a modified committee amendment. **Page 2026**

By unanimous-consent agreement, the following pending amendments and the motion to recommit were withdrawn:

Chafee/Warner Amendment No. 1312, to provide for a continuing designation of a metropolitan planning organization. **Page 2027**

Chafee/Warner Amendment No. 1313, (to language proposed to be stricken by the committee, as modified), of a perfecting nature. **Page 2027**

Chafee/Warner Amendment No. 1314 (to Amendment No. 1313), of a perfecting nature. **Page 2027**

Motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Environment and Public Works, with instructions. **Page 2027**

Lott Amendment No. 1317 (to instructions of the motion to recommit), to authorize funds for construction of highways, for highway safety programs, and for mass transit programs. **Page 2027**

Lott Amendment No. 1318 (to Amendment No. 1317), to strike the limitation on obligations for administrative expenses. **Page 2027**

Subsequently, the modified committee amendment was further modified to reflect it as an amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 1676), and subject to further amendments. **Page 2027**

Measure Returned to Senate Calendar:

Reciprocal Trade Agreement/Fast Track: S. 1269, to establish objectives for negotiating and procedures for implementing certain trade agreements, was displaced upon the adoption of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1173, ISTEAA Authorization, and was returned to the Senate calendar.

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Appointments:

National Council on the Arts: The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 105-83, announced the appointment of Senators Sessions and Collins to serve as members of the National Council on the Arts.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Hiram Arthur Contreras, of Texas, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of Texas for the term of four years.

Beverly Baldwin Martin, of Georgia, to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of Georgia for the term of four years.

Robert A. Miller, of South Dakota, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute for a term expiring September 17, 2000.

Randall Dean Anderson, of Utah, to be United States Marshal for the District of Utah for the term of four years.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Edward A. Powell, Jr., of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Management).

Q. Todd Dickinson, of Pennsylvania, to be Deputy Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks.

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Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nomination: George Donohue, of Maryland, to be Deputy Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration, which was sent to the Senate on June 26, 1997.

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Messages From the House:

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Measures Referred:

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—17)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 6:14 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Friday, February 27, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record, on page 2106.)

Committee Meetings**APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE**

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Natural Resources Conservation Service of the Department of Agriculture, receiving testimony from James R. Lyons, Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment, and Thomas A. Weber, Acting Chief, Natural Resources Conservation Service, both of the Department of Agriculture, who were accompanied by several of his associates.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, March 3.

APPROPRIATIONS—STATE DEPARTMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary, and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of State, receiving testimony from Madeleine K. Albright, Secretary of State.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, March 3.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense, receiving testimony from John J. Hamre, Deputy Secretary of Defense.

Subcommittee will meet again on Wednesday, March 4.

APPROPRIATIONS—CAPITOL POLICE/ SECRETARY OF THE SENATE/CBO

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the Legislative Branch held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999, receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respective activities from Wilson Livingood, House Sergeant at Arms, Gregory S. Casey, Senate Sergeant at Arms, Alan M. Hantman, Architect of the Capitol, and Gary L. Abrecht, Chief of Police, all on behalf of the Capitol Police Board; Gary Sisco, Secretary of the Senate; and June E. O'Neill, Director, Congressional Budget Office.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, March 12.

APPROPRIATIONS—TREASURY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the Treasury and General Government held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for law enforcement programs of the Department of the Treasury, receiving testimony from Raymond W. Kelly, Under Secretary for

Enforcement, John W. Magaw, Director, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, Lewis C. Merletti, Director, United States Secret Service, Samuel Banks, Acting Commissioner, United States Customs Service, Ted F. Brown, Assistant Commissioner for Criminal Investigation, Internal Revenue Service, W. Ralph Basham, Director, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, and William Baity, Deputy Director, Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, all of the Department of the Treasury.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, March 5.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported 1,078 military nominations in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force.

EXPORT PROMOTION

Committee on the Budget: Committee's International Affairs Task Force concluded hearings to examine the success of the National Trade Strategy from the perspective of international affairs funding, after receiving testimony from David L. Aaron, Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade; JayEtta Z. Hecker, Associate Director, International Relations and Trade Issues, National Security and International Affairs Division, General Accounting Office; and Edmund Rice, Coalition for Employment Through Exports, Inc., Washington, D.C.

GLOBAL TOBACCO SETTLEMENT

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee resumed hearings to examine the scope and depth of the proposed settlement between States Attorneys Generals and tobacco companies to mandate a total reformation and restructuring of how tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed in America, focusing on those provisions that would limit the liability of tobacco companies, receiving testimony from Mississippi Attorney General Mike Moore, Jackson; Kansas Attorney General Carla J. Stovall, Topeka; Colorado Attorney General Gale Norton, Denver; Stanley M. Chesley, Waite, Schneider, Bayless & Chesley Co., Cincinnati, Ohio, on behalf of the Castano Plaintiffs Litigation Committee; Eugene I. Pavalon, Chicago, Illinois, on behalf of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America; Kris W. Kobach, University of Missouri at Kansas City School of Law, Kansas City, Missouri; and Richard F. Scruggs, Scruggs, Millette, Lawson, Bozeman & Dent, Pascagoula, Mississippi.

Hearings continue on Tuesday, March 3.

FAA MODERNIZATION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Aviation concluded hearings to examine the Federal Aviation Administration's plans to replace and upgrade the National Airspace System's equipment and facilities to meet the increase in traffic volume, enhance the margin of air safety, and increase the efficiency

of the air traffic control system, focusing on its problems in meeting cost, schedule, and performance goals, after receiving testimony from Jane F. Garvey, Administrator, Federal Aviation Administration, FAA; Gerald L. Dillingham, Associate Director, Transportation Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; Margaret T. Jenny, US Airways, Arlington, Virginia; and Phil Boyer, Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association, Washington, D.C.

MEDICARE PRIVATE CONTRACTING

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings on S. 1194, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to clarify the right of medicare beneficiaries to enter into private contracts with physicians and other health care professionals for the provision of health services for which no payment is sought under the medicare program, receiving testimony from Senators Kyl and Durbin; Representative Cardin; Nancy-Ann Min DeParle, Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Beatrice Braun, Spring Hill, Florida, on behalf of the American Association of Retired Persons; Kent Masterson Brown, United Seniors Association, Inc., Fairfax, Virginia; J. Edward Hill, Tupelo, Mississippi, on behalf of the American Medical Association; and William A. Reynolds, Missoula, Montana, on behalf of the American College of Physicians.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

U.S. TRADE SANCTIONS IN ASIA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asia and Pacific Affairs held hearings to examine whether unilateral trade sanctions are an effective tool of United States foreign policy in Asia, receiving testimony from Frank D. Kittredge, National Foreign Trade Council, Inc.; Ernest H. Preeg, Center for Strategic and International Studies, Ernest Z. Bower, US-ASEAN Business Council, Inc.; Arthur T. Downey, Baker Hughes, Incorporated, on behalf of the National Association of Manufacturers, and Douglas H. Paal, Asia Pacific Policy Center, all of Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

DRUG CERTIFICATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Peace Corps, Narcotics and Terrorism held hearings to examine the effectiveness of the certification process under the Foreign Service Act used by the United States to assess how other nations cooperate in their counternarcotics efforts, receiving testimony from Thomas A. Constantine, Administrator, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice; John P. Walters, Philanthropy Roundtable, Washington, D.C.; Richard B. Craig, Kent State University, Kent, Ohio; and Rensselaer W. Lee III, Global Advisory Services, McLean, Virginia.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

MERIT SYSTEM PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services concluded hearings on S. 1495, to strengthen the ability of the Office of Personnel Management to obtain judicial review of a final order or decision of the Merit Systems Protection Board within 60 days after receiving notice thereof, after receiving testimony from Lorraine Lewis, General Counsel, Office of Personnel Management; David M. Cohen, Director, Commercial Litigation Branch of the Civil Division, Department of Justice; and Robert M. Tobias, National Treasury Employees Union, and Mark D. Roth, American Federation of Government Employees (AFL-CIO), both of Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nominations of M. Margaret McKeown, of Washington, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Thomas J. Umberg, of California, to be Deputy Director for Supply Reduction, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Randall Dean Anderson, to be United States Marshal for the District of Utah, and Robert A. Miller, of South Dakota, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute;

H.R. 1534, to simplify and expedite access to the Federal courts for injured parties whose rights and privileges, secured by the United States Constitution, have been deprived by final actions of Federal agencies, or other government officials or entities acting under color of State law; to prevent Federal courts from abstaining from exercising Federal jurisdiction in actions where no State law claim is alleged; to permit certification of unsettled State law questions that are essential to resolving Federal claims arising under the Constitution; and to clarify when government action is sufficiently final to ripen certain Federal claims arising under the Constitution, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1605, to establish a matching grant program to help States, units of local government, and Indian tribes to purchase armor vests for use by law enforcement officers, with an amendment;

S. 1244, to amend Federal bankruptcy law with respect to avoidance by the trustee in bankruptcy of fraudulent transfers and obligations to cite circumstances under which a transfer of a charitable contribution to a qualified religious or charitable unit shall not be considered to be fraudulent, and to prohibit the trustee from avoiding such charitable contributions when acting as lien creditors and successor to certain creditor and purchasers, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. Res. 181, expressing the sense of the Senate that on March 2, every child in America should be in the company of someone who will read to him or her.

ANTITRUST OVERSIGHT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights and Competition held oversight hearings to review the state of antitrust enforcement within the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice, and proposals to improve international antitrust enforcement, including increasing criminal fines for corporate price-fixing conspiracies, receiving testimony from Joel I. Klein, Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice.

Subcommittee will meet again on Wednesday, March 4.

MEDICAL CONFIDENTIALITY

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee concluded hearings on proposed legislation to protect the confidentiality of medical information, including S. 1368, to provide individuals with access to health information of which they are the subject, ensure personal privacy with respect to personal medical records and health care-related information, impose criminal and civil penalties for unauthorized use of personal health information, and to provide for the strong enforcement of these rights, after receiving testimony from Senators Bennett and Leahy; Kathleen Sebelius, Kansas Department of Insurance, Topeka, on behalf of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners; Janlori Goldman, Georgetown University Medical Center, and Christine Brunswick, National Breast Cancer Coalition, both of Washington, D.C.; Michael L. Rhodes, Intermountain Health Care, Salt Lake City, Utah; and Bonnie Rogers, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, on behalf of the American Association of Occupational Health Nurses.

TRIBAL PRIORITY ALLOCATIONS

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded oversight hearings to examine Tribal Priority Allocation funding as contained in the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 1999 for the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, after receiving testimony from Kevin Gover, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs; John Washakie, Eastern Shoshone Tribe of the Wind River Reservation, Fort Washakie, Wyoming, on behalf of the Shoshone Business Council; Andrew L. Othole, Pueblo of Zuni, Zuni, New Mexico; Edward K. Thomas, Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, Juneau; Bernida Churchill, Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Indians, Onamia, Minnesota; and James T. Martin, United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc., Nashville, Tennessee.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee will meet again on Wednesday, March 4.

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Bills Introduced: 22 public bills, H.R. 3279–3300; 12 resolutions, H.J. Res. 111–112, H. Con. Res. 225–230, and H. Res. 370–373 were introduced. **Page 1998**

Reports Filed: No reports were filed today.

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Collins to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 1954**

Wireless Telephone Protection Act: The House passed H.R. 2460, to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to scanning receivers and similar devices, by a yeas and nays vote of 414 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 25. Pursuant to the rule, the House passed S. 493, a similar Senate-passed bill, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of H.R. 2460. Agreed to amend the title; and H.R. 2460 was then laid on the table. **Page 1957**

Agreed to the McCollum amendment in the nature of a substitute that clarifies that only devices that can insert or modify telecommunication identifying information are prohibited; includes an asset forfeiture provision; allows third parties who have a business relationship with a telecommunications carrier to possess the devices for legitimate business use; and creates an affirmative defense to prosecution for those engaged in research or development in connection with a lawful purpose. **Page 1965**

Earlier, agreed to H. Res. 368, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by a voice vote. **Page 1957**

Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 370, electing Representative Velázquez to the Committee on Small Business to rank immediately above Representative LaFalce. **Page 1967**

Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 371, electing Representative Graham to the Committee on the Judiciary. **Page 1967**

Late Report: The Committee on Ways and Means received permission to have until midnight on Friday, February 27 to file a report on H.R. 3130, Child Support Performance and Incentive Act of 1998. **Page 1967**

Legislative Program: The Majority Leader announced the legislative program for the week of March 2. **Page 1967**

Meeting Hour—Monday, March 2: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, March 2. **Page 1968**

Meeting Hour—Tuesday, March 3: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 3, for Morning-Hour Debate. **Page 1968**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday, March 4. **Page 1968**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 1968.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yeas and nays vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appears on page 1965. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 3:08 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL TRADE

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry held a hearing to review livestock, dairy, and poultry trade between the United States, Australia, and New Zealand. Testimony was heard from Lon Hatamiya, Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Research, Education and Economics. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the USDA: I. Miley Gonzalez, Under Secretary, Eileen Kennedy, Acting Deputy Under Secretary and Bob Robinson, Administrator, Cooperative State Research, all with Research, Education, and Economics; Donald Bay, Administrator, National Agricultural Statistics Service; Floyd P. Horn, Administrator, Agricultural Research Service; Susan Offutt, Administrator, Economic Research Service; and Stephen B. Dewhurst, Budget Officer.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary held a hearing on the Attorney General and on the USIA. Testimony was heard from Janet Reno, Attorney General; and the following officials of the USIA: Joseph Duffy, Director; and David Burke, Chairman, Board of Broadcasters.

LABOR—HHS—EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, and on GAO, Department of Health and Human Services oversight. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Labor: Charles N. Jeffress, Assistant Secretary, Occupational Safety and Health; J. Davitt McAteer, Assistant Secretary, Mine Safety and Health; and Richard L. Hembra, Assistant

Comptroller General, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, GAO.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress and public witnesses.

NATIONAL SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on National Security held a hearing on FY 1999 Army Budget Overview. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Army: Robert M. Walker, Under Secretary and Gen. Dennis J. Reimer, USA, Chief of Staff.

The Subcommittee also met in executive session to hold a hearing on FY 1999 Army Acquisition Program. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Army: Kenneth J. Oscar, Acting Assistant Secretary (Research, Development and Acquisition); Lt. Gen. Paul Kern, USA, Military Deputy to the Acting Secretary (Research, Development and Acquisition); and Lt. Gen. William Campbell, USA, Director, Information Systems for Command, Control, Communications and Computers.

TREASURY-POSTAL SERVICE, GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government held a hearing on the IRS. Testimony was heard from Charles O. Rossotti, Commissioner, IRS, Department of the Treasury.

VA-HUD-INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies held a hearing on the Court of Veterans Appeals and the Selective Service System. Testimony was heard from Frank Q. Nebeker, Chief Judge, U.S. Court of Veterans Appeals; and Gil Coronado, Director, Selective Service System.

WIRELESS PRIVACY ENHANCEMENT ACT

Committee on Commerce: Ordered reported amended H.R. 2369, Wireless Privacy Enhancement Act.

FAIRNESS FOR SMALL BUSINESS AND EMPLOYEES ACT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations approved for full Committee action H.R. 3246, Fairness for Small Business and Employees Act of 1998.

CAMPAIGN REFORM

Committee on House Oversight: Continued hearings on Campaign Reform. Testimony was heard from Representatives

Calvert, Smith of Michigan, Price of North Carolina, Slaughter, Linda Smith of Washington, Paul, Kaptur and Engel.

NARCOTICS POLICY TOWARD COLOMBIA

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on U.S. Narcotics Policy Toward Colombia. Testimony was heard from Henry L. Hinton, Assistant Comptroller General, National Security and International Affairs, GAO; and the following officials of the DANTI (anti-drug) Unit, Colombian National Police: Col. Leonardo Gallego, Director; and Lt. Fernando Lopez, Logistics Support Officer.

CAMBODIA—UNCERTAIN STATUS OF DEMOCRACY

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific held a hearing on Shattered Dream, the Uncertain State of Democracy in Cambodia. Testimony was heard from Stanley Roth, Assistant Secretary, East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—ADMINISTRATIVE TAXATION: FCC'S UNIVERSAL SERVICE TAX

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held an oversight hearing on Administrative Taxation: The FCC's Universal Service Tax. Testimony was heard from Christopher A. McLean, Deputy Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—RELIGIOUS FREEDOM—FEDERAL PROTECTION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution held an oversight hearing regarding the need for federal protection of religious freedom after *Boerne v. Flores*. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 2696, amended, Vessel Hull Design Protection Act; H.R. 2294, amended, Federal Courts Improvement Act of 1997; H.R. 2281, amended, WIPO Copyright Treaties Implementation Act; and H.R. 3209, the On-line Copyright Infringement Liability Limitation Act.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AND FAMILY HOUSING BUDGET REQUEST

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Installations & Facilities held a hearing on FY 1999 budget request for military construction and military family housing of the Department of Defense. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: John B. Goodman, Deputy Under Secretary; and the following officials of the Department of the Army: Alma Moore, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary,

(Installations, Logistics, and Environment); Maj. Gen. David Whaley, USA, Assistant Chief of Staff, Installations Management; Brig. Gen. James Helmly, USA, Deputy Chief, Army Reserve; and Col. Michael Squier, USA, Deputy Director, Army National Guard.

TRICARE PROGRAM STATUS

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Personnel held a hearing on the status and effectiveness of the TRICARE program. Testimony was heard from the following officials from the Department of Defense: D. Edward Martin, M.D., Acting Assistant Secretary, (Health Affairs), Col. Steve E. Phurrough, USA, Lead Agent, TRICARE Central Region 7/8; Rear Adm. Richard A. Nelson, MC, USN, Lead Agent TRICARE Region 9; Brig. Gen. Dan L. Locker, USAF, Lead Agent Region 4; and Mr. Stephen P. Backhus, Veterans' Affairs and Military Health Care Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

DOD MODERNIZATION

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee Military Procurement and the Subcommittee on Military Research and Development held a joint hearing on Department of Defense Modernization for FY 1999. Testimony was heard from Jacques S. Gansler, Under Secretary, Acquisition and Technology, Department of Defense.

INTERIOR DEPARTMENT—MISCELLANEOUS BUDGET REQUESTS

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held an oversight hearing on the Administration's FY 1999 budget request for three agencies within the Department of Interior: Office of Surface Mining, Minerals Management Service, and the Energy and Minerals programs of the Bureau of Land Management. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Interior: Kathy Karpan, Director, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement; Cynthia Quarterman, Director, Minerals Management Service; and Tom Fry, Deputy Director, Bureau of Land Management.

OVERSIGHT—NOAA AND NATIONAL MARINE SERVICE BUDGET REQUEST

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans held an oversight hearing on the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, NOAA, and National Marine Service FY 1999 Budget request. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Interior: Don Barry, Assistant Secretary, Fish and Wildlife and Parks; and John Rogers Deputy Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

OVERSIGHT—FEE DEMONSTRATION PROGRAMS

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands held an oversight hearing on Fee Demonstration Programs-Successes and Failures. Testimony

was heard from Representative Herger; John M. Berry, Assistant Secretary, Policy Management and Budget, Department of the Interior; Lyle Lavery, Regional Forester, Rocky Mountain Region, Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—TECHNOLOGY ADMINISTRATION AND NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF STANDARDS AND TECHNOLOGY BUDGET REQUESTS

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Technology held an oversight hearing on the FY 1999 Administration Request for the Technology Administration and the National Institute of Standards and Technology. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Commerce: Gary Bachula, Acting Under Secretary, Technology and Johnnie E. Frazier, Acting Inspector General; and Susan Kladiva, Associate Director, Energy, Resources and Science Issues, Resources, Community and Economic Development Division, GAO.

TRAVEL AGENTS—STOLEN AIRLINE TICKET STOCKS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on Issues related to Stolen Airline Ticket Stocks from Travel Agents. Testimony was heard from Neil J. Gallagher, Deputy Assistant Director, Criminal Investigative Division, FBI, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

ASSESSING HEALTH CARE QUALITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Assessing Health Care Quality. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: John Eisenberg, M.D., Administrator, Agency for Health Care Policy and Research; and Jeff Kang, M.D., Chief Medical Officer, Center for Health Plans and Providers, Health Care Financing Administration; and public witnesses.

FUTURE OF SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security held a hearing on the Future of Social Security for this Generation and the Next. Testimony was heard from Kenneth S. Apfel, Commissioner, SSA; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

VETERANS PROGRAMS

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs concluded joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative recommendations of certain veteran organizations, receiving testimony from Elizabeth R. Carr, Blinded Veterans Association, Kenneth C. Huber, Paralyzed Veterans of America, Jack Berman,

Jewish War Veterans, Louis C. Tebbe, Military Order of the Purple Heart, and Charles R. Jackson, Non Commissioned Officers Association of the USA, all of Washington, D.C.

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Friday, February 27, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2123–68

Measures Introduced: Three bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1691–1693, and S. Res. 186. Page 2145

ISTEA Authorization: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1173, to authorize funds for construction of highways, for highway safety programs, and for mass transit programs, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 1676), taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

Bond Amendment No. 1677 (to Amendment No. 1676), to require that, in funding natural habitat and wetland mitigation efforts related to Federal-aid highway projects, a preference be given, to the maximum extent practicable, to the use of certain mitigation banks.

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Senate will resume consideration of the bill on Monday, March 2, 1998.

Agriculture Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act—Conferees: The Senate disagreed to the amendment of the House to S. 1150, to ensure that federally funded agricultural research, extension, and education address high-priority concerns with national multistate significance, and to reform, extend, and eliminate certain agricultural research programs, agreed to the request of the House for a conference thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees: Senators Lugar, Cochran, Coverdell, Harkin, and Leahy. Page 2124

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Measures Referred Page 2145

Statements on Introduced Bills: Page 2146

Additional Cosponsors: Page 2152

Amendments Submitted: Page 2154

Authority for Committees: Page 2155

Additional Statements: Page 2155

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 12:43 p.m., until 12 noon, on Monday, March

2, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record, on page 2165.)

Committee Meetings

BUDGET REQUESTS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee held hearings on budget requests for fiscal year 1999, receiving testimony on behalf of funds for their respective operations from Earl A. Powell III, Director, National Gallery of Art; Michael F. DiMario, Public Printer, Government Printing Office; and Daniel P. Mulhollan, Director, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress.

Committee will meet again on Wednesday, March 4.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will next meet on Monday, March 2.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

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Monday, March 2, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2179–2216

Measures Introduced: Four bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1694–1697, S. Res. 187, and S. Con. Res. 78. Page 2203

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1579, to amend the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 to extend the authorizations of appropriations for such Act, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 105–166) Page 2203

ISTEA Authorization: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1173, to authorize funds for construction of highways, for highway safety programs, and for mass transit programs, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 1676).

Pages 2191, 2199

Senate will resume consideration of the bill on Tuesday, March 3, 1998.

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report of the 1998 Trade Policy Agenda and 1997 annual report on the Trade Agreements

Program; referred to the Committee on Finance. (PM-101). **Page 2203**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By unanimous vote of 81 yeas (Vote No. 18 EX), Richard L. Young, of Indiana, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Indiana.

Pages 2201, 2215

42 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

7 Army nominations in the rank of general.

14 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

21 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, Navy.

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Messages From the President:

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—18) **Page 2202**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon, and adjourned at 6:17 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Tuesday, March 3, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on pages 2215.)

Committee Meetings

IRAQ

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs held hearings to examine the current situation in Iraq and whether Saddam Hussein can be forced out of power, receiving testimony from R. James Woolsey, former Director of Central Intelligence; Ahmed Chalabi, Iraqi National Congress, London, England; and Zalmay Khalilzad, Rand Corporation, and Richard N. Haass, Brookings Institution, both of Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 2 public bills, H.R. 3301–3302; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 374–375, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Filed on February 27, H.R. 3130, to provide for an alternative penalty procedure for States that fail to meet Federal child support data processing requirements, to reform Federal incentive payments for effective child support performance, and to provide for a more flexible penalty procedure for States that violate interjurisdictional adoption requirements, amended (H. Rept. 105–422); and

H.R. 1432, to authorize a new trade and investment policy for sub-Saharan Africa, amended (H. Rept. 105–423 Part 1 and H. Rept. 105–423 Part 2). **Page 2177**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Coble to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 2169**

John C. Stennis Center for Public Service Training and Development: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representative Pickering to the Board of Trustees for the John C. Stennis Center for Public Service Training and Development. **Page 2169**

Presidential Message—Trade Policy: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted his 1998 Trade Policy Agenda and 1997 annual Report on the Trade Agreement's Program—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. **Page 2175**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 2169.

Quorum Calls—Votes: No recorded votes or quorum calls developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: Met at 2:00 p.m. and adjourned at 3:02 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information and Technology held a hearing on the following measures: Government Waste, Fraud, and Error Reduction Act of 1998; H.R. 2347, Federal Benefit Verification and Integrity Act; and H.R. 2063, Debt Collection Wage Information Act of 1997.

Testimony was heard from G. Edward DeSeve, Acting Deputy Director, Management, OMB; Don Hammond, Acting Fiscal Assistant Secretary, Department of the Treasury; David Longaknecker, Assistant Secretary, Postsecondary Education, Department of Education; Karen Lee, Acting Inspector General, SBA and Chairman of the President's Council on Integrity and Efficiency, Ad Hoc Committee on Benefit Eligibility Verification; and a public witness.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

SECOND SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House. The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 27 through February 28, 1998

	<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Days in session	17	10	..
Time in session	117 hrs., 41'	70 hrs., 15'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	1176	682	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	250	..
Public bills enacted into law	3	3	6
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	..	..
Bills in conference	1	2	..
Measures passed, total	15	44	59
Senate bills	1	7	..
House bills	1	13	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	1	..
Senate concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
House concurrent resolutions	1	2	..
Simple resolutions	12	21	..
Measures reported, total	11	15	26
Senate bills	8	..	..
House bills	1	6	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
Senate concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
House concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
Simple resolutions	2	9	..
Special reports	1	..	..
Conference reports .....	..	..	..
Measures pending on calendar	125	37	..
Measures introduced, total	158	287	445
Bills	126	212	..
Joint resolutions	2	6	..
Concurrent resolutions	7	30	..
Simple resolutions	23	39	..
Quorum calls	1	2	..
Yea-and-nay votes	17	17	..
Recorded votes .....	..	6	..
Bills vetoed .....	..	..	..
Veto overridden	1	1	..

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 27 through February 28, 1998

Civilian nominations totaling 182, (including 124 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	18
Unconfirmed	158
Withdrawn	6
Civilian nominations (FS, PHS, CG, NOAA) totaling 148, (including 86 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Unconfirmed	148
Air Force nominations, totaling 1,398, (including 21 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Unconfirmed	1,398
Army nominations, totaling 742, (including 2 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	2
Unconfirmed	740
Navy nominations, totaling 72, (including 2 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Unconfirmed	72
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 861, disposed of as follows:	
Unconfirmed	861
<i>Summary</i>	
Total nominations carried over from the First Session	237
Total nominations received this session	3,166
Total confirmed	22
Total unconfirmed	3,375
Total withdrawn	6

* These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 7 reports has been filed in the Senate, a total of 15 reports has been filed in the House.

Tuesday, March 3, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2224–2307

Measures Introduced: Six bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1698–1703, S.J. Res. 42 and 43, and S. Res. 188–190 **Page 2265**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 1116, to provide for the conveyance of the rever-
sionary interest of the United States in certain lands to
the Clint Independent School District and the Fabens
Independent School District.

S. Res. 174, to state the sense of the Senate that Thai-
land is a key partner and friend of the United States, has
committed itself to executing its responsibilities under its
arrangements with the International Monetary Fund, and
that the United States should be prepared to take appro-
priate steps to ensure continued close bilateral relations.

S. Con. Res. 60, expressing the sense of Congress in
support of efforts to foster friendship and cooperation be-
tween the United States and Mongolia.

S. Con. Res. 78, relating to the indictment and pros-
ecution of Saddam Hussein for war crimes and other
crimes against humanity. **Page 2265**

ISTEA Authorization: Senate resumed consideration of
S. 1173, to authorize funds for construction of highways,
for highway safety programs, and for mass transit pro-
grams, with a modified committee amendment in the na-
ture of a substitute (Amendment No. 1676), taking ac-
tion on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

McCain/Hollings Amendment No. 1680 (to Amend-
ment No. 1676), to improve travel safety on roads and
waterways, promote the safe shipment of hazardous ma-
terials, advance pipeline transportation safety, and ensure
that the commercial motor vehicle fleet is well main-
tained and operated. **Page 2234**

Kempthorne Amendment No. 1681 (to Amendment
No. 1676), to improve the protection given by air bags
and reduce the risks from air bags. **Page 2238**

Rejected:

Wellstone Amendment No. 1679 (to Amendment No.
1676), to require a report on the number of former re-
cipients of public assistance under the State temporary as-
sistance to needy families programs that are economically
self-sufficient. (By 54 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 19), Sen-
ate tabled the amendment.) **Pages 2226, 2243**

Pending:

Lautenberg Amendment No. 1682 (to Amendment No.
1676), to prohibit the possession of any open alcoholic

beverage container, or the consumption of any alcoholic
beverage, in the passenger area of a vehicle on a public
highway. **Page 2246**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing
for further consideration of the pending amendment on
Wednesday, March 4, 1998, with a vote to occur thereon.

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Senate will resume consideration of the bill on
Wednesday, March 4, 1998.

Appointments:

Amtrak Reform Council: The Chair, on behalf of the
Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law 105–134, an-
nounced the appointment of Donald R. Sweitzer, of Vir-
ginia, to serve as a member of the Amtrak Reform Coun-
cil. **Page 2306**

National Summit on Retirement Income Savings:
The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to
Public Law 105–92, appointed numerous individuals as
participants in the 1998 National Summit on Retirement
Income Savings. **Page 2305**

Messages From the President: Senate received the fol-
lowing messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report of the Interagency Arctic Re-
search Policy Committee for the period February 1, 1996
through January 31, 1998; referred to the Committee on
Governmental Affairs. (PM–102). **Page 2264**

Transmitting the report of the Department of Housing
and Urban Development for calendar year 1996; referred
to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Af-
fairs. (PM–103). **Page 2264**

Transmitting a report entitled “1998 National Drug
Control Strategy”; referred to the Committee on the Judi-
ciary. (PM–104). **Page 2264**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following
nominations:

Thelma J. Askey, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the
United States International Trade Commission for the re-
mainder of the term expiring December 16, 2000.

Jennifer Anne Hillman, of Indiana, to be a Member of
the United States International Trade Commission for the
term expiring December 16, 2006.

Stephen Koplan, of Virginia, to be a Member of the
United States International Trade Commission for the
term expiring June 16, 2005.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Army, Coast Guard. **Page 2306**

Messages From the President: **Page 2264**

Executive Reports of Committees: **Page 2265**

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Additional Cosponsors: **Page 2272**

Amendments Submitted: **Page 2274**

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Authority for Committees:	Page 2294
Additional Statements:	Page 2295
Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—19)	Page 2246

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 6:20 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, March 4, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 2306.)

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for rural programs of the Department of Agriculture, receiving testimony from Jill Long Thompson, Under Secretary for Rural Development, Wally Beyer, Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, Jan E. Shadburn, Administrator, Rural Housing Service, Dayton J. Watkins, Administrator, Rural Business-Cooperative Service, and Robert Armstrong, Executive Director, Alternative Agricultural Research and Commercialization Corporation, all of the Department of Agriculture.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, March 10.

APPROPRIATIONS—FBI/DEA/INS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary, and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Justice, receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respective activities from Louis J. Freeh, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Thomas A. Constantine, Administrator, Drug Enforcement Administration, and Doris Meissner, Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, all of the Department of Justice.

Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—DOE DEFENSE PROGRAMS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for Department of Energy defense programs, receiving testimony from Victor H. Reis, Assistant Secretary of Energy for Defense Programs.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, March 10.

APPROPRIATIONS—IMF SUPPLEMENTAL

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations held hearings on proposed supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998 for the International Monetary Fund, receiving testimony from Robert E. Rubin, Secretary, and Lawrence H. Summers, Deputy Secretary, both of the Department of the

Treasury; and Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, March 17.

APPROPRIATIONS—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for Army and defense agency military construction programs, receiving testimony from Alma B. Moore, Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army (Installations, Logistics & Environment); Brig. Gen. Gary W. Heckman, Director, Center for Command Support, U.S. Special Operations Command; Frederick N. Baillie, Executive Director, Resource, Planning and Performance Directorate, Defense Logistics Support Command, Defense Logistics Agency; Carolyn H. Becraft, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Personnel Support, Families and Education), Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness); and Rear Adm. Tom Carrato, USN, Chief Operating Officer, TRICARE Management Activity.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, March 10.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee resumed hearings in open and closed sessions on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on the military strategies and operational requirements of the unified commands, receiving testimony from Gen. Wesley K. Clark, USA, Commander-in-Chief, U.S. European Command; Gen. John H. Tilelli, USA, Commander in Chief, United Nations Command/Combined Forces Command Korea, and Commander, U.S. Forces Korea; and Gen. Anthony C. Zinni, USMC, Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Central Command.

Committee will meet again on Thursday, March 5.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Seapower held hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on the seapower threat-based force requirement, receiving testimony from Gen. Joseph W. Ralston, USAF, Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; Adm. Donald L. Pilling, USN, Vice Chief of Naval Operations; and Gen. Richard I. Neal, USMC, Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, March 10.

FINANCIAL REGULATORY RELIEF

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee held hearings on S. 1405, to provide for improved monetary policy and regulatory reform in financial institution management and activities, to streamline financial

regulatory agency actions, and to provide for improved consumer credit disclosure, receiving testimony from Laurence H. Meyer, Member, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Rex Hammock, Hammock Publishing, Nashville, Tennessee, on behalf of the National Federation of Independent Business; Cornelius D. Mahoney, Woronoco Savings Bank, Westfield, Massachusetts, on behalf of the America's Community Bankers; and Edward E. Furash, Furash & Company, Washington, D.C.

Hearings continue on Tuesday, March 10.

GLOBAL TOBACCO SETTLEMENT

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee resumed hearings to examine the scope and depth of the proposed settlement between State Attorneys General and tobacco companies to mandate a total reformation and restructuring of how tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed in America, focusing on proposed restrictions on the advertising, marketing and sale of tobacco products, receiving testimony from Senator Mack; Robert Pitofsky, Chairman, Federal Trade Commission; Michael P. Eriksen, Director, Office on Smoking and Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services; Matthew L. Myers, Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids/National Center for Tobacco-Free Kids, and David C. Vladeck, Public Citizen Litigation Group, both of Washington, D.C.; Richard A. Daynard, Northeastern University School of Law, Boston, Massachusetts; David S. Versfelt, Donovan, Leisure, Newton & Irvine, New York, New York, on behalf of the Freedom to Advertise Coalition; and Martin Redish, Northwestern University School of Law, Chicago, Illinois.

Hearings continue on Thursday, March 5.

FOREST SERVICE BUDGET

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 1999 for the Forest Service, after receiving testimony from Michael P. Dombeck, Chief, Forest Service, and James R. Lyons, Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment, both of the Department of Agriculture, who were accompanied by several of their associates.

ISTEA AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee met and approved an amendment to be offered as a floor amendment to the modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 1676) to S. 1173, to authorize funds for construction of highways, for highway safety programs, and for mass transit programs (pending before the Senate).

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

Protocols to the North Atlantic Treaty of 1949 on the accession of Poland, Hungary, and the Czech Republic. (These Protocols were opened for signature at Brussels on December 16, 1997, and signed on behalf of the United States and other parties to the North Atlantic Treaty (Treaty Doc. 105-36);

S. Con. Res. 60, expressing the sense of Congress in support of efforts to foster friendship and cooperation between the United States and Mongolia;

S. Con. Res. 78, relating to the indictment and prosecution of Saddam Hussein for war crimes and other crimes against humanity;

S. Res. 174, to state the sense of the Senate that Thailand is a key partner and friend of the United States, has committed itself to executing its responsibilities under its arrangements with the International Monetary Fund, and that the United States should be prepared to ensure continued close bilateral relations;

H.R. 1116, to provide for the conveyance of the reversionary interest of the United States in certain lands to the Clint Independent School District and the Fabens Independent School District; and

The nominations of Robert T. Grey, Jr., of Virginia, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as United States Representative to the Conference on Disarmament, and three Foreign Service Officer promotion lists.

SOFTWARE INDUSTRY

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee held hearings to examine the state of competition in the computer software industry, focusing on market power and structural change in the software industry and the role of antitrust laws in high-technology industries, receiving testimony from Bill Gates, Microsoft Corporation, Redmond, Washington; Scott McNealy, Sun Microsystems, Inc., Palo Alto, California; James Barksdale, Netscape Communications Corporation, Mountain View, California; Michael Dell, Dell Computer Corporation, Round Rock, Texas; Douglas J. Burgum, Great Plains Software, Fargo, North Dakota; and Stewart Alsop II, New Enterprise Associates, Menlo Park, California.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Subcommittee on Public Health and Safety concluded hearings to examine how certain infectious diseases are a continuing threat to the health of United States citizens and of people around the world and the United States response to promote the international effort to combat emerging diseases, after receiving testimony from David Satcher, Assistant Secretary for Health/U.S. Surgeon General, Anthony S. Fauci, Di-

rector, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, National Institutes of Health, and Stephen Blount, Associate Director for Global Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, all of the Department of Health and Human Services; David Brandling-Bennett, Pan American Health Organization/World Health Organization, Washington, D.C.; Fredia S. Wadley, Tennessee Department of Health, Nashville; Joan Baumbach, New Mexico Department of Health, Las Cruces; Herbert A. Pigman, Rotary International, Evanston, Illinois; and Christopher J.L. Murray, Harvard University School of Public Health, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 14 public bills, H.R. 3303–3316; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 231–232, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Supplemental report on H.R. 217, to amend title IV of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act to consolidate the Federal programs for housing assistance for the homeless into a block grant program that ensures that States and communities are provided sufficient flexibility to use assistance amounts effectively (H. Rept. 105–407 Part 2);

H.R. 992, to end the Tucker Act shuffle, amended (H. Rept. 105–424);

H.R. 2369, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to strengthen and clarify prohibitions on electronic eavesdropping, amended (H. Rept. 105–425); and

H. Res. 376, providing for consideration of H.R. 856, to provide a process leading to full self-government for Puerto Rico (H. Rept. 105–426).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Snowbarger to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 1:22 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Homeless Housing Programs Consolidation and Flexibility Act: H.R. 217, amended, to amend title IV of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act to consolidate the Federal programs for housing assistance for the homeless into a block grant program that ensures that States and communities are provided sufficient flexibility to use assistance amounts effectively (passed by a yeas and nays vote of 386 yeas to 23 nays, Roll No. 26),

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Sam Nunn Federal Center: H.R. 613, to designate the Federal building located at 100 Alabama Street NW, in Atlanta, Georgia, as the "Sam Nunn Federal Center" and agreed to amend the title. Subsequently, the House passed S. 347, a similar Senate-passed bill, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of H.R. 613. Agreed to amend the title; and H.R. 613 was laid on the table.

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Recess: The House recessed at 4:17 p.m. and reconvened at 5:00 p.m.

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Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

Housing and Urban Development: Message wherein he transmitted the 32nd Annual Report of the Department of Housing and Urban Development which covers calendar year 1996—referred to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services;

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Interagency Arctic Research Policy Committee: Message wherein he transmitted the Seventh Biennial Report of the Interagency Arctic Research Policy Committee—referred to the Committee on Science; and

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National Drug Control Strategy: Message wherein he transmitted the 1998 National Drug Control Strategy—referred to the Committees on Judiciary, Agriculture, Banking and Financial Services, Commerce, Education and the Workforce, Government Reform and Oversight, International Relations, National Security, Resources, Transportation and Infrastructure, Veterans' Affairs, and Ways and Means.

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National Summit on Retirement Savings: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following participants on the part of the House to the National Summit on Retirement Savings: Representative Fawell, Ms. Meredith Bagby of New York, Mr. James E. Bayne of Texas, Mr. Carroll A. Campbell, Jr. of South Carolina, Ms. Joyce Campbell of Washington, D.C., Ms. Hilda Cannon of Georgia, Mr. Christopher W. Clement of Arizona, Mr. Benjamin Tanner Domenech of Virginia, Mr. Clinton A. Demetriou of Georgia, Mr. Pete duPont of Delaware, Mr. Adam Dubitsky of Washington, D.C., Ms. Lynn D. Dudley of Washington, D.C., Mr. Ric Edelman of Virginia, Mr. John N. Erlenborn of Maryland, Ms. Shannon Evans of Nevada, Mr. Peter J. Ferrara of Virginia, Mr. Ray Gaydos of Washington, D.C., Mr. Craig Gholston of Texas, Mr. Arthur Glatfelter of Pennsylvania, Mr. Dylan Glenn of Georgia, Mr. James T. Gordon of Georgia, Mr. Brian H. Graff of Virginia, Mr. Matthew Greenwald of Washington, D.C., Mr. Brent R. Harris of California, Mr. Donald K. Hill of Georgia, Ms. Amy M. Holmes of Washington, D.C., Ms. Karen A. Jordan of Alaska, Mr. John Kimpel of Massachusetts, Mrs. Beth Kobliner of New York, Mr. Gerald Letendre of New Hampshire, Mr. Ronald Lyons of Ohio, Mrs. Patricia De L. Marvil of Virginia, Mr. Philip Matthews of Con-

necticut, Mr. Thomas J. McInerney of Connecticut, Mr. Kevin M. McRaith of Minnesota, Ms. Rita D. Metras of New York, Ms. Lena Moore of Washington, D.C., Ms. Dana Muir of Michigan, Ms. Heather Nauert of Washington, D.C., Mr. Jeffrey M. Pollock of New Hampshire, Ms. Pati Robinson of Washington, Ms. Andrea Batista Schlesinger of New York, Mr. Eugene Schweikert of South Carolina, Mr. Charles Schwab of California, Ms. Victoria L. Swaja of Arizona, Mr. Richard Thau of New York, Ms. Sandra R. Turner of Florida, Mrs. Sunny Warren of Georgia, Mr. Albert Zapanta of Virginia, and Mr. Roger Zion of Indiana.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appears on page 2346. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Committee Meetings

USDA YEAR 2000 COMPLIANCE ENHANCEMENT ACT

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Department Operations, Nutrition, and Foreign Agriculture approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3280, USDA Year 2000 Compliance Enhancement Act.

Prior to this action, the Subcommittee held a hearing on this legislation. Testimony was heard from Representative Latham; Anne Thomson Reed, Chief Information Officer, USDA; and Joel Willemssen, Director, Civil Agencies Information System, Accountant and Information Management Division, GAO.

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Rural Development. Testimony was heard from Jill Long Thompson, Under Secretary, Rural Development, USDA.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior continued appropriation hearings with emphasis on Natural Resources. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on the Secretary of Health and Human Services, and the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration and the Inspector General. Testimony was heard from the following officials from the Department of Health and Human Services: Donna E. Shalala, Secretary; and Nelba Chavez, Administrator, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction held a hearing on Navy Construction. Testimony was heard from Robert B. Pirie, Jr., Assistant Secretary, Installations and Environment, Department of the Navy.

NATIONAL SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on National Security met in executive session to hold a hearing on U.S. Special Operations Command. Testimony was heard from Gen. Peter J. Schoomaker, USA, Commander in Chief, U.S. Special Operations Command.

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation held a hearing on the Secretary of Transportation. Testimony was heard from Rodney E. Slater, Secretary of Transportation.

VA-HUD-INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA-HUD and Independent Agencies held a hearing on FEMA. Testimony was heard from James Lee Witt, Director, FEMA.

EEOC—FUTURE DIRECTION

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations, hearing on the Future Direction of the EEOC. Testimony was heard from Speaker Gingrich; Paul Igasaki, Acting Chairman, EEOC; and public witnesses.

GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE AND RESULTS ACT TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information and Technology began markup of H.R. 2883, Government Performance and Results Act Technical Amendments of 1997.

Will continue tomorrow.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; BUDGET VIEWS AND ESTIMATES; COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 2294, Federal Courts Improvement Act of 1997; and H.R. 2696, Vessel Hull Design Protection Act.

The Committee approved the Committee's Fiscal Year 1999 Budget views and estimates for submission to the Committee on the Budget.

The Committee also approved pending Committee business.

RESALE SYSTEM AND CBO REPORT IMPLICATIONS

Committee on National Security: Special Oversight Panel on Morale, Welfare and Recreation held a hearing on the re-

sale system and CBO report implications. Testimony was heard from Deborah Clay-Mendez, Acting Deputy Assistant Director, CBO; the following officials of the Department of Defense: Rudy de Leon, Under Secretary, Personnel and Readiness; Maj. Gen. Richard E. Beale, Jr., (Ret.), Director, Defense Commissary Agency; Maj. Gen. Allen D. Bunger, Commander, Army and Air Force Exchange Service; Rear Adm. Paul Soderberg, USN, Commander, Navy Exchange Service Command; and Mike Tharrington, Director, Morale, Welfare, and Recreation, Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps; and public witnesses.

DOD—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AND MILITARY FAMILY HOUSING BUDGET REQUESTS

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Installations and Facilities held a hearing on the Administration's fiscal year 1999 budget request for the military construction and military family housing programs of the Department of Defense. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Robert B. Pirie, Jr., Assistant Secretary, Navy (Installations and Facilities); Rear Adm. David J. Nash, USN, Commander, Naval Facilities Engineering Command; Brig. Gen. James M. Hayes, USMC, Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff, Installations and Logistics (Facilities), Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps; Rear Adm. John B. Totushek, USN, Deputy Director, Naval Reserve; Jimmy G. Dishner, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Air Force (Installations); Maj. Gen. Eugene A. Lupia, USAF, The Civil Engineer, Headquarters, U.S. Air Force; Maj. Gen. Paul A. Weaver, Jr., USAF, Director, Air National Guard; and Brig. Gen. Ralph S. Clemm, USAF, Deputy to the Chief, Office of Air Forces Reserve.

SPORTFISHING AND BOATING IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans held a hearing on H.R. 2973, Sportfishing and Boating Improvement Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Representative Tanner; Dan Ashe, Assistant Director, External Affairs, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

PUERTO RICO—FULL SELF GOVERNMENT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 90 minutes of general debate on H.R. 856, to provide a process leading to a full self government for Puerto Rico, equally divided and controlled by Representative Young (AK), Representative Miller (CA), Representative Solomon, and Representative Gutierrez or their designees. The rule makes in order the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the Congressional Record and numbered 1, which shall be considered as read. The rule waives clause 5(a) of rule XXI (prohibiting

appropriations in a legislative bill) against the amendment in the nature of a substitute.

The rule provides for the consideration, before any other amendment, of amendment numbered 3, printed in the Congressional Record, which is debatable for 1 hour equally divided between Representative Serrano and an opponent. The rule provides for the consideration of amendment numbered 2, printed in the Congressional Record, which is debatable for 30 minutes equally divided between Representative Serrano and an opponent. The rule provides that amendments numbered 3 and 2 shall be considered as read and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole, and that consideration of those amendments, and all amendments thereto, shall not exceed one hour.

The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have preprinted their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows for the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Young; and Representatives Rohrabacher, Barr of Georgia, Miller of California, Romero-Barcelo, Serrano and Gutierrez.

SBA'S BUDGET—ANNUAL PERFORMANCE PLAN

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing on the SBA's fiscal year 1999 Budget and their annual performance plan. Testimony was heard from Aida Alvarez, Administrator, SBA.

REPORTS—MEDICARE PAYMENT POLICIES

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on reports regarding Medicare payment policies. Testimony was heard from Gail R. Wilensky, Chair, Medicare Payment Advisory Commission; William J. Scanlon, Director, Health Financing and Systems Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, GAO; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

VETERANS PROGRAMS

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on Veterans Affairs concluded joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative recommendations of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, after receiving testimony from John E. Moon, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, Washington, D.C.

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Measures Introduced: Seven bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1704–1710, S. Con. Res. 79, and S. Res. 191. **Page 2435**

Measures Passed:

Majority Party Committee Appointments: Senate agreed to S. Res. 191, making majority party appointments for the Committee on Governmental Affairs for the 105th Congress. **Page 2468**

ISTEA Authorization: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1173, to authorize funds for construction of highways, for highway safety programs, and for mass transit programs, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 1676), taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Page 2395**

Adopted:

By 62 yeas to 32 nays, one responding present (Vote No. 20), Lautenberg Amendment No. 1682 (to Amendment No. 1676), to prohibit the possession of any open alcoholic beverage container, or the consumption of any alcoholic beverage, in the passenger area of a vehicle on a public highway. **Page 2396**

Inhofe/Breaux Amendment No. 1687 (to Amendment No. 1676), to ensure that the States have the necessary flexibility to implement the new standards for ozone and particulate matter. **Pages 2421, 2428**

Reid Amendment No. 1688 (to Amendment No. 1676), to provide support for Federal, State, and local efforts to carry out transportation planning for the Tahoe National Forest, the Toiyabe National Forest, the Eldorado National Forest, and the areas owned by States and local governments that surround Lake Tahoe and protect the environment and serve transportation. **Page 2425**

Chafee (for Murkowski) Amendment No. 1690 (to Amendment No. 1676), to modify State infrastructure bank matching requirements. **Page 2430**

Chafee (for Domenici) Amendment No. 1691 (to Amendment No. 1676), to include as a goal of the innovative bridge research and construction program the development of new nondestructive bridge evaluation technologies and techniques. **Page 2431**

Baucus (for Moynihan) Amendment No. 1692 (to Amendment No. 1676), to refine the criteria of selection for Federal assistance for Trade Corridor and Border Infrastructure, Safety, and Congestion Relief projects. **Page 2431**

Baucus (for Moseley-Braun) Amendment No. 1693 (to Amendment No. 1676), to clarify the planning provisions of the bill. **Page 2431**

Baucus (for Boxer) Amendment No. 1694 (to Amendment No. 1676), to provide for research into the interactions between information technology and future travel demand. **Page 2431**

Pending:

Chafee Amendment No. 1684 (to Amendment No. 1676), to provide for the distribution of additional funds for the Federal-aid highway program. **Page 2404**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and certain amendments to be proposed thereto, on Thursday, March 5, 1998. **Page 2432**

Senate will resume consideration of the bill on Thursday, March 5, 1998.

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting a report concerning national security interests with respect to Bosnia and Herzegovina; referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM–105). **Page 2433**

Transmitting a report on telecommunications payments to the Government of Cuba from United States persons for the period July 1 through December 31, 1997; referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM–106). **Page 2434**

Transmitting the report of the notice of the continuation of the Iran emergency; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–107). **Page 2434**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

David M. Mason, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Election Commission for a term expiring April 30, 2003.

Robert H. Beatty, Jr., of West Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission for a term expiring August 30, 2004.

Arthur A. McGiverin, of Iowa, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute for a term expiring September 17, 2000. **Page 2469**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today.
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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:39 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Thursday, March 5, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record, on page 2468.)

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—COMMERCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary, and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Commerce, receiving testimony from William M. Daley, Secretary, W. Scott Gould, Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary for Administration, and Mark Brown, Director, Office of Budget, all of the Department of Commerce.

Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense, focusing on Air Force programs, receiving testimony from F. Whitten Peters, Under Secretary, and Gen. Michael E. Ryan, Chief of Staff, both of the United States Air Force.

Subcommittee will meet again on Wednesday, March 11.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Acquisition and Technology held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on policies of the industrial and technology base supporting national defense, receiving testimony from John B. Goodman, Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Industrial Affairs and Installations); Lance A. Davis, Deputy Director (Technology Transfer and Lab Management), Department of Defense; and David E. Cooper, Associate Director for Defense Acquisition Issues, General Accounting Office.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, March 12.

MILITARY TRANSFORMATION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Airland Forces held hearings to examine certain military transformation initiatives, focusing on the Joint Staff's implementation plan (Joint Vision 2010) to promote innovation and change in the Department of Defense, including developing information superiority, receiving testimony from Lt. Gen. Frank B. Campbell, Director for Force Structure, Resources, and Assessment; Lt. Gen. Douglas D. Buchholz, Director for Command, Control, Communications, and Computer Systems, Joint Staff; Maj. Gen.

George F. Close, Director for Operational Plans and Interoperability; Gen. John J. Sheehan, USMC (Ret.), former Commander, United States Atlantic Command; and Gen. Robert W. RisCassi, USA (Ret.), Member, National Defense Panel.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Personnel held hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on recruiting and retention policies within the Department of Defense and the military services, receiving testimony from Mark Gebicke, Director, Military Operations and Capabilities Issues, General Accounting Office; Frank M. Rush, Jr., Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense for Force Management Policy; Lt. Gen. Frederick E. Vollrath, USA, Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel; Vice Adm. Daniel T. Oliver, USN, Chief of Naval Personnel; Lt. Gen. Carol A. Mutter, USMC, Deputy Chief of Staff for Manpower and Reserve Affairs; Lt. Gen. Michael D. McGinty, USAF, Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel; Maj. Gen. Mark R. Hamilton, USA, Commanding General, United States Army Recruiting Command; Rear Adm. Barbara E. McGann, USN, Commander, Navy Recruiting Command; Maj. Gen. Jack W. Klimp, USMC, Commanding General, Marine Corps Recruiting Command; Col. Peter U. Sutton, USAF, Commander, Air Force Recruiting Service; Beverly Schladt and David Moser, both Senior Evaluators, General Accounting Office; Sgt. First Class Gregory W. Seibert, United States Army; Aviation Administrator Second Class Jack D. Layne, and Signalman Second Class Deanna M. Luna, both of the United States Navy; Technical Sgt. Timothy C. Barber, United States Air Force; and Gunnery Sgt. Paul A. Jornet, United States Marine Corps.

Subcommittee will meet again on Wednesday, March 11.

DEFENSE DEPOT MAINTENANCE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness concluded hearings to examine the status of the bidding process between public and private competitors over the disposition of the workloads currently performed at Sacramento and San Antonio Air Logistics Centers identified for closure during the 1995 base realignment and closure process, after receiving testimony from Henry L. Hinton, Jr., Assistant Comptroller General, National Security and International Affairs Division, Robert Murphy, General Counsel, and Julia Denman, Assistant Director, Defense Management Issues, all of the General Accounting Office; Jacques S. Gansler, Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology; Gen. George T. Babbitt, Jr., USN, Commander, Air Force Materiel Command; Darleen A. Druyun, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Acquisition and Management); Maj.

Gen. Eugene L. Tattini, USAF, Commander, Sacramento Air Logistics Center; Maj. Gen. Richard H. Roellig, USAF, Commander, Ogden Air Logistics Center; Maj. Gen. Charles H. Perez, USAF, Commander, Oklahoma City Air Logistics Center; Maj. Gen. James S. Childress, USAF, Commander, San Antonio Logistics Center; and Maj. Gen. Richard N. Goddard, USAF, Commander, Warner Robins Air Logistics Center.

DOE BUDGET

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded hearings on the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Energy, after receiving testimony from Federico Pena, Secretary of Energy.

U.S.-JAPAN RELATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs concluded hearings to examine the recent World Trade Organization decision in the *Eastman Kodak v. Fuji Photo Film* dispute and its implications for United States-Japan relations, after receiving testimony from Susan G. Esserman, General Counsel, Office of the United States Trade Representative; Ira Wolf, Kodak Japan Limited, Tokyo, on behalf of the Eastman Kodak Company; and William H. Barringer, Willkie Farr & Gallagher, on behalf of the Fuji Photo Film, Inc., Clyde V. Prestowitz, Economic Strategy Institute, and Edward J. Lincoln, Brookings Institution, all of Washington, D.C.

NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL STRATEGY

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings to examine the effectiveness of national drug control policies, after receiving testimony from Barry R. McCaffrey, Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPETITION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights, and Competition held hearings on the implementation of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and its goal to provide increased competition to the telecommunications industry, focusing on Federal and State coordination efforts with regard to the entry of the Regional Bell Companies into interLATA long distance service, receiving testimony from William E. Kennard, Chairman, Federal Communications Commission; Joel I. Klein, Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice; Jolynn Barry Butler, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, Columbus; Bert Roberts, MCI Communications Corporation, Washington, D.C.; Royce Caldwell, SBC Communications, Inc., San Antonio, Texas; Jim Robbins, Cox Communications, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia; and William J. Rouhana, Jr., WinStar Communications, Inc., New York, New York, on behalf of the Association for Local Telecommunications Services.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS THREAT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism and Government Information held joint hearings with the Select Committee on Intelligence to examine the threat posed by the use of biological weapons by terrorists, receiving testimony from Stephen M. Ostroff, Associate Director for Epidemiologic Science, National Center for Infectious Diseases, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services; Col. David R. Franz, Deputy Commander, U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command, Ft. Detrick, Maryland; and W. Seth Carus, Center for Counter Proliferation Research/National Defense University, Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS OPERATIONS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee held hearings on S. 1578, to require the Director of the Congressional Research Service to make accessible to the public via the Internet all information available through the CRS web site that is not confidential, including CRS issue briefs, reports, and authorization or appropriations products, the proposed budget request for fiscal year 1999 for the Library of Congress, to review the Library's management operations, and its plans for the Bicentennial observance in the year 2000, and proposed legislation authorizing funds for the American Folklife Center of the Library of Congress, receiving testimony from Senator McCain; James H. Billington, Librarian of Congress; Donald L. Scott, Deputy Librarian of Congress; William L. Kinney Jr., Chairman, American Folklife Center Board of Trustees; and Alan Jabbour, Director, American Folklife Center.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 20 public bills, H.R. 3317-3336; and 4 resolutions, H.J. Res. 113-114, H. Con. Res. 233-234, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 377, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2369) to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to strengthen and clarify prohibitions on electronic eavesdropping (H. Rept. 105-427); and

H. Res. 378, providing for consideration of H.R. 3130, to provide for an alternative penalty procedure for States that fail to meet Federal child support data processing requirements, to reform Federal incentive payments for effective child support performance, and to provide for a more flexible penalty procedure for States that violate

interjurisdictional adoption requirements (H. Rept. 105–428). **Page 2563**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Pease to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 2470**

United States-Puerto Rico Political Status Act: The House passed H.R. 856, to provide a process leading to full self-government for Puerto Rico, by a recorded vote of 209 ayes to 208 noes, Roll No. 37. **Page 2484**

On demand for a separate vote, agreed to the Solomon amendment, as amended by the Burton amendment in the nature of a substitute, that applies the official English language requirements to Puerto Rico upon accession to Statehood and promotes the teaching and use of English in Puerto Rico by a recorded vote of 240 ayes to 177 noes, Roll No. 36. **Page 2550**

Agreed To:

The Burton substitute amendment to the Solomon amendment that applies the official English language requirements to Puerto Rico upon accession to Statehood and promotes the teaching and use of English in Puerto Rico (agreed to by a recorded vote of 238 ayes to 182 noes, Roll No. 29); **Page 2516**

The Solomon amendment, as amended, that applies the official English language requirements to Puerto Rico upon accession to Statehood and promotes the teaching and use of English in Puerto Rico (agreed to by a recorded vote of 265 ayes to 153 noes, Roll No. 30); **Page 2514**

Rejected:

The Gutierrez substitute amendment to the Solomon amendment that sought to stipulate that Spanish, as an official language of Puerto Rico, is the official language in the State government and Federal courts and agencies under certain circumstances (rejected by a recorded vote of 13 ayes to 406 noes with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 28); **Page 2515**

The Gutierrez substitute amendment to the Serrano amendment that sought to establish voting eligibility in the referenda for individuals residing outside of Puerto Rico including those who have at least one parent who was born in Puerto Rico; **Page 2530**

The Serrano amendment that sought to allow U.S. citizens born in Puerto Rico but residing outside of Puerto Rico to vote in the referenda (rejected by a recorded vote of 57 ayes to 356 noes, Roll No. 32); **Page 2530**

The Gutierrez amendment that sought to establish that Puerto Rico is sociologically and culturally a Caribbean and Latin American nation; **Page 2534**

The Stearns amendment that sought to require a run-off referendum, not later than 90 days after the first, between the 2 options which received the most votes (rejected by a recorded vote of 28 ayes to 384 noes, Roll No. 33); **Pages 2536, 2547**

The Gutierrez amendment that sought to strike language dealing with the establishment of United States nationality for inhabitants of Puerto Rico under the Treaty of Paris; **Page 2537**

The Barr amendment that sought to require the approval of the statehood option by a super-majority of 75 percent of the valid votes cast (rejected by a recorded vote of 131 ayes to 282 noes, Roll No. 34); **Pages 2538, 2547**

The Velázquez amendment that sought to specify that persons born in Puerto Rico who are Puerto Rican citizens may not be denied the right to vote in Puerto Rico even if they are not United States citizens; **Page 2541**

The Gutierrez amendment that sought to strike section 2, Congressional findings; **Page 2542**

The Gutierrez amendment that sought to allow Puerto Rico to retain its separate Olympic Committee and ability to compete under its own flag and national anthem (rejected by a recorded vote of 2 ayes to 413 noes with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 35); and **Pages 2543, 2548**

The Gutierrez amendment that sought to retain corporate tax provisions for twenty years after statehood and to exempt Puerto Ricans from U.S. internal revenue laws until such time as the State of Puerto Rico achieves the same per capita income as the State with the next lowest per capita income. **Page 2544**

The Clerk was authorized in the engrossment of H.R. 856 to make technical and conforming changes as may be necessary to reflect the action of the House. **Page 2553**

H. Res. 376, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill, was agreed to earlier by a yea and nay vote of 370 yeas to 41 nays, Roll No. 27. Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the Congressional Record and numbered 1 was considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. **Page 2474**

Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

Payments Made to Cuba: Message wherein he transmitted his report concerning payments made to Cuba by any United States person as a result of telecommunications services—referred to the Committee in International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–221); **Page 2551**

National Emergency Re Iran: Message wherein he transmitted his report concerning the national emergency with respect to Iran—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–222); and **Page 2552**

U.S. Armed Forces Presence In Bosnia and Herzegovina: Message wherein he transmitted his report concerning the continued presence of U.S. armed forces, after June 30, 1998, in Bosnia and Herzegovina—referred to the Committees on International Relations and Appropriations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–223). **Page 2552**

Import Produce Labeling Act: Agreed that Representative Condit be considered as the first sponsor of H.R. 1232, a bill originally introduced by the late Representative Bono of California, for the purposes of adding co-sponsors and requesting reprints pursuant to clause 4 of rule XXII. **Page 2553**

Amtrak Reform Council: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following individuals on the part of the House to the Amtrak Reform Council: Mrs. Christine Todd Whitman of New Jersey, Mr. Bruce Chapman of Washington, and Mr. Christopher Gleason of Pennsylvania. **Page 2553**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 2565.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One quorum call (Roll No. 31), one yea-and-nay vote, and nine recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 2483, 2523, 2524, 2532, 2533, 2543, 2548, and 2550.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FOREST RECOVERY AND PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered reported amended H.R. 2515, Forest Recovery and Protection Act of 1997.

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services. Testimony was heard from Shirley Watkins, Under Secretary, Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services, USDA.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary held a hearing on the Federal Judiciary and the SBA. Testimony was heard from: Judge John G. Heyburn, II, U.S. District Court, Western District of Kentucky and Chairman and Judge Robert C. Broomfield, U.S. District Court, Western District of Arizona and member, both with the Committee on the Budget, Judicial Conference of the United States; Leonidas Ralph Mecham, Director, Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts; Judge Rya W. Zobel, U.S. District Court, District of Massachusetts and Director, Federal Judiciary Center; and Aida Alvarez, Administrator, SBA.

FOREIGN OPERATIONS, EXPORT FINANCING, AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs held a

hearing on the Secretary of State. Testimony was heard from Madeleine K. Albright, Secretary of State.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior continued appropriation hearings, with emphasis on Energy Programs. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on Health Resources and Services Administration, on the Health Care Financing Administration and the Agency for Health Care Policy and Research. Testimony was heard from the following officials from the Department of Health and Human Services: Claude E. Fox, M.D., Acting Administrator, Health Resources and Service Administration; John M. Eisneberg, M.D., Administrator, Agency for Health Care Policy and Research, and Nancy-Ann-Min-DeParle, Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction held a hearing on the Air Force. Testimony was heard from Rodney A. Coleman, Assistant Secretary, Department of the Air Force.

NATIONAL SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on National Security held a hearing on Ballistic Missile Defense. Testimony was heard from Lt. Gen. Lester L. Lyles, USAF, Director, Ballistic Missile Defense, Department of Defense.

The Subcommittee also met in executive session to hold a hearing on the U.S. Pacific Command/U.S. Forces Korea. Testimony was heard from Adm. Joseph W. Prueher, USN, Commander in Chief, U.S. Pacific Command; and Gen. John H. Tilelli, Jr., USA, Commander in Chief, U.S. Forces Korea.

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation held a hearing on the Federal Highway Administration and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Ricardo Martinez, Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration; and Kenneth Wykle, Administrator, Federal Highway Administration.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government held a hearing on Departmental Offices; and the Treasury Inspector General. Testimony was heard from the following officials from the Department of Treasury: Robert E. Rubin, Secretary; Richard B. Calahan, Deputy Inspector General; Raisa Otero-Cesario, Assistant Inspector General, Inves-

tigations; Gary L. Whittington, Assistant Inspector General, Resources; Dennis S. Schindel, Assistant Inspector General, Audit; William Pugh, Deputy Assistant Inspector General, Audit; John Balakos, Associate Inspector General, Program Audits; Charles Little, Acting Director, Office of Information Technology; Emilie Bebel, Director, Office of Evaluations; and Lori Vassar, Counsel to the Inspector General.

NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies held a hearing on the Corporation for National and Community Service. Testimony was heard from Harris Wofford, CEO, Corporation for National Community Service.

MANAGEMENT OF FEDERAL AGENCY PAYMENTS

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit held a hearing to Review the Proposed Rules Regarding the Management of Federal Agency Payments through the Use of Electronic Funds Transfers (EFT). Testimony was heard from Senator Faircloth; Representatives Franks of New Jersey and Kanjorski; John D. Hawke, Jr., Under Secretary, Domestic Finance, Department of the Treasury; John Dyer, Principal Deputy, SSA; Robert Gardner, Chief Financial Officer, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

STATE OF THE ECONOMY

Committee on the Budget: Held a hearing on the State of the Economy. Testimony was heard from Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System.

KYOTO PROTOCOL

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing on the Kyoto Protocol and Its Economic Implications. Testimony was heard from Stuart E. Eizenstat, Under Secretary, Economic Business and Agricultural Affairs, Department of State; and Janet Yellen, Chair, Council of Economic Advisors.

COMMUNICATIONS SATELLITE COMPETITIONS AND PRIVATIZATION ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection began markup of H.R. 1872, Communications Satellite Competition and Privatization Act of 1997.

Will continue March 11.

HIGHER EDUCATION AMENDMENTS

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education, Training, and Life-Long Learning approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 6, Higher Education Amendments of 1998.

ELECTIONS AND POLICIES—FOREIGN INFLUENCE

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on the activities of China and other countries to influence U.S. policies and elections. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Janet Reno, Attorney General and Louis J. Freeh, Director, FBI; George J. Tenet, Director, CIA; and Lt. General Kenneth A. Minihan, Director, National Security Agency, Department of Defense.

GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE RESULTS ACT—TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information and Technology approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 2883, Government Performance and Results Act Technical Amendments of 1997.

TROPICAL FOREST PROTECTION ACT

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on H.R. 2870, Tropical Forest Protection Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Portman; Thomas Fox, Assistant Administrator, Policy and Planning Bureau, AID, U.S. International Development Cooperation Agency; Mary Chavez, Director, International Debt Policy, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Africa approved for full Committee action the following resolutions: H. Res. 373, commending democracy in Botswana; and H. Res. 374, amended, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the ongoing violence in Algeria.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; CUBAN RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere approved for full Committee action the following resolutions: H. Con. Res. 222, expressing the sense of Congress, congratulating the former International Support and Verification Commission of the Organization of American States (OAS-CIAV) for successfully aiding in the transition of Nicaragua from a war-ridden state into a newly formed democracy and providing continued support through the recently created Technical Cooperation Mission (OAS-TCM) which is responsible for helping to stabilize Nicaraguan democracy by supplementing institution building; H. Con. Res. 215, amended, congratulating the people of Co-operative Republic of Guyana for holding multiparty elections; and H. Res. 362, amended, commending the visit of His Holiness Pope John Paul II to Cuba.

Prior to this action, the Subcommittee held a hearing on the visit of His Holiness Pope John Paul II to Cuba:

An Assessment of its Impact on Religious Freedom in Cuba. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported the following measures: H.R. 1704, amended, Congressional Office of Regulatory Analysis Creation Act; H.J. Res. 78, amended, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States regarding religious freedom; H.R. 3117, amended, Civil Rights Commission Act of 1998; H.R. 2589, amended, Copyright Term Extension Act; H. Res. 372, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that marijuana is a dangerous and addictive drug and should not be legalized for medicinal use; and H.R. 118, amended, Traffic Stops Statistics Act of 1997.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION BUDGET REQUEST

Committee on National Security: Held a hearing on the fiscal year 1999 National Defense authorization budget request. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Adm. Joseph W. Prueher, USN, Commander in Chief, U.S. Pacific Command; Gen. John H. Tilelli, USA, Commander in Chief, U.S. Forces Korea; and Adm. Harold W. Gehman, Jr., USN, Commander in Chief, U.S. Atlantic Command.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

FY 1999 DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NAVY AND MARINE CORPS MODERNIZATION

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Procurement and Subcommittee on Military Research and Development held a joint hearing on FY 1999 Department of Defense, emphasis on Navy and Marine Corps modernization programs. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Navy: John W. Douglas, Assistant Secretary, Navy (Research, Development and Acquisition); Vice Admiral Conrad C. Lautenbacher, USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations, Resources, Warfare Requirements and Assessments; and Lt. Gen. Jeffrey W. Oster, USMC, Deputy Chief of Staff, Programs and Resources.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

CHILD SUPPORT PERFORMANCE AND INCENTIVE ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 3130, Child Support Performance and Incentive Act of 1998. The rule waives points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with section 303(a) of the Congressional Budget Act (Prohibiting consideration of legislation, as reported, providing new budget authority, changes in revenues, or changes in the public debt for a fiscal year until the budget resolution for that year has been agreed to).

The rule makes in order the Ways and Means Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and provides that it shall be considered as read. The rule waives points of order against the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute for failure to comply with section 303(a) of the Congressional Budget Act.

The rule provides that no amendment shall be in order unless printed in the Congressional Record. The rule waives points of order against the amendment by Mr. Cardin printed in the Congressional Record and numbered 2 for failure to comply with clause 7 of rule XVI (prohibiting nongermane amendments). The rule allows for the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Shaw, Levin and Cardin.

WIRELESS PRIVACY ENHANCEMENT ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 2369, Wireless Privacy Enhancement Act of 1997. The rule waives points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with clause 2(I)(6) of rule XI(3 day availability of committee reports).

The rule makes in order the Committee on Commerce amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and provides that it shall be considered as read. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows for the Chairman of the Committee on the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Bliley and Representatives Tauzin and Markey.

MATH AND SCIENCE EDUCATION

Committee on Science: Held an oversight hearing on Math and Science Education I; Maintaining the Interest of Young Kids in Science. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

NOAA—BUDGET AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held an oversight hearing on FY 1999 Budget Authorization Request: NOAA. Testimony was heard from D. James Baker, Under Secretary, Oceans and Atmosphere and Administrator, NOAA, Department of

Commerce; and Joel Willemsson, Director, Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform and Paperwork Reduction, hearing on the Regulatory Fairness Program and the first annual Report to Congress submitted by the national Small Business Ombudsman. Testimony was heard from Peter Barca, National Ombudsman, SBA; and public witnesses.

FY 1999 BUDGET REQUEST FOR THE U.S. COAST GUARD

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing on the Administration's FY 1999 budget request for the U.S. Coast Guard. Testimony was heard from the following officials of U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation; Adm. Robert E. Kramek, USCG, Commandant; Eric A. Trent, USCG, Master Chief Petty Officer; and Everette L. Tucker, Jr., USCG, National Commodore; and public witnesses.

SUPERFUND ACCELERATION, FAIRNESS EFFICIENCY ACT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment began markup of H.R. 2727, Superfund Acceleration, Fairness, and Efficiency Act.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Ten bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1711–1720, S. Con. Res. 80, and S. Res. 192. **Page 2713**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. Res. 171, designating March 25, 1998, as "Greek Independence Day: A National Day of Celebration of Greek and American Democracy".

S. 1379, to amend section 552 of title 5, United States Code, and the National Security Act of 1947 to require disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act regarding certain persons, disclose Nazi war criminal records without impairing any investigation or prosecution conducted by the Department of Justice or certain intelligence matters, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 2712**

Measures Passed: U.S./Mongolia Friendship: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 60, expressing the sense of the Congress in support of efforts to foster friendship and cooperation between the United States and Mongolia. **Page 2759**

ISTEA Authorization: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1173, to authorize funds for construction of highways, for highway safety programs, and for mass transit programs, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 1676), taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 2646, 2661**

Adopted:

Chafee Amendment No. 1684 (to Amendment No. 1676), to provide for the distribution of additional funds for the Federal-aid highway program. **Page 2662**

By 52 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 21), Dorgan Amendment No. 1697 (to Amendment No. 1676), to encourage States to enact laws that ban the sale of alcohol through drive-up or drive through sales window. **Pages 2650, 2662**

Domenici/Bingaman Modified Amendment No. 1387 (to Amendment No. 1676), to encourage the Secretary of Transportation to use the national laboratories in carrying out the research and technology program. **Page 2652**

Domenici/Bingaman Modified Amendment No. 1393 (to Amendment No. 1676), to require the Secretary to maximize the involvement of Federal laboratories in carrying out the intelligent transportation system program. **Page 2653**

Domenici/Bingaman Amendment No. 1698 (to Amendment No. 1676), to provide a definition of the term Federal laboratory. **Page 2653**

Bingaman/Domenici Amendment No. 1699 (to Amendment No. 1676), to clarify that Federal laboratories are eligible to receive grants or to enter into contracts, cooperative agreements, or other transactions. **Page 2662**

Bingaman/Domenici Amendment No. 1700 (to Amendment No. 1676), to clarify that information on transportation-related research and development activities at Federal laboratories shall be included in the general exchange of information being promoted by the Secretary of Transportation. **Page 2661**

Bingaman/Domenici Amendment No. 1701 (to Amendment No. 1676), to clarify that innovative research performed by Federal laboratories shall be identified and applied to the intermodal and multimodal transportation research, development, and deployments needs of the Department of Transportation enterprise of the United States. **Page 2662**

Chafee/Wyden/Graham Amendment No. 1702 (to Amendment No. 1676), to further clarify the integrated decision making process for surface transportation projects. **Page 2665**

Hutchison Amendment No. 1703 (to Amendment No. 1676), to provide for the continuation of partnership

agreements to promote the integration of surface transportation management systems. **Page 2668**

Abraham/Levin Amendment No. 1704 (to Amendment No. 1676), to make access to the Ambassador Bridge, Detroit, Michigan, eligible for funding. **Page 2668**

Chafee (for Inhofe) Amendment No. 1705 (to Amendment No. 1676), to improve the provisions relating to contracting for engineering and design services. **Page 2669**

Chafee (for Abraham/Levin) Amendment No. 1706 (to Amendment No. 1676), to allow funding under the surface transportation program for programs to reduce motor vehicle emissions caused by extreme cold start conditions. **Page 2670**

Rejected:

By 43 yeas to 56 nays, one responding present (Vote No. 22), Bingaman/Byrd Modified Amendment No. 1696 (to Amendment No. 1676), to encourage States to enact laws that ban the sale of alcohol through a drive-up or drive-through sales window. **Pages 2646, 2662**

Pending:

McConnell Amendment No. 1708 (to Amendment No. 1676), to require that Federal surface transportation funds be used to encourage development and outreach to emerging business enterprises, including those owned by minorities and women, and to prohibit discrimination and preferential treatment based on race, color, national origin, or sex, with respect to use of those funds, in compliance with the equal protection provisions of the fifth and 14th amendments to the Constitution. **Page 2671**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and the pending amendment on Friday, March 6, 1998. **Page 2759**

Messages From the House: **Page 2712**

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Additional Cosponsors: **Page 2741**

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Authority for Committees: **Page 2755**

Additional Statements: **Page 2756**

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—22) **Page 2662**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 6:55 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, March 6, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 2760.)

Committee Meetings

GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings to examine the impact of global cli-

mate change on United States agriculture and forests, focusing on an international agreement reached in Kyoto, Japan in December 1997 to control greenhouse gas emissions (Kyoto Protocol), and the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 1999 for climate change programs, after receiving testimony from Senator Wyden; Stuart E. Eizenstat, Under Secretary of State for Economic, Business and Agricultural Affairs; Richard Rominger, Deputy Secretary of Agriculture; Janet Yellen, Chair, Council of Economic Advisers; Dean R. Kleckner, Rudd, Iowa, on behalf of the American Farm Bureau Federation; Fred Krupp, Environmental Defense Fund, New York, New York; Mary Novak, WEFA, Inc., Burlington, Massachusetts; and Marty Strange, Randolph, Vermont, on behalf of the Center for Rural Affairs.

APPROPRIATIONS—NOAA/SBA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary, and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999, receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respective activities from D. James Baker, Under Secretary of Commerce for Atmosphere and Oceans/National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; and Aida Alvarez, Administrator, Small Business Administration.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, March 10.

APPROPRIATIONS—EDUCATION/CAMPUS SECURITY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Education, receiving testimony from Richard W. Riley, Secretary of Education.

Also, subcommittee concluded hearings to examine certain incidents of crime on college campuses and efforts to strengthen the campus crime reporting and disclosure provisions of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and the Campus Security Act of 1990, after receiving testimony from Senator Torricelli; David A. Longanecker, Assistant Secretary of Education for Postsecondary Education; Howard K. Clery, Jr., Security On Campus, Inc., King of Prussia, Pennsylvania; Jacob A. McKee, Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania; Stanley O. Ikenberry, American Council on Education, and Delores Stafford, George Washington University, both of Washington, D.C.; Michele Goldfarb, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia; and Barbara R. Prentice, Centerville, Massachusetts.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, March 10.

AIRLINE COMPETITION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation and Related Agencies held hearings to examine certain barriers to competition in the United States domestic airline industry, receiving testimony from Patrick

V. Murphy, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Transportation for Aviation and International Affairs; John H. Anderson, Jr., Director, Transportation Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; Paul S. Dempsey, University of Denver College of Law, Denver, Colorado, on behalf of Frontier Airlines, Inc.; Mark S. Kahan, Spirit Airlines, Inc., Eastpointe, Michigan; and Michael Boyd, Boyd Group, Evergreen, Colorado.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, April 2.

APPROPRIATIONS—IRS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Internal Revenue Service, receiving testimony from Charles O. Rossotti, Commissioner, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, March 12.

APPROPRIATIONS—FEMA/CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999, receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respective activities from James Lee Witt, Director, Federal Emergency Management Agency; and Harris Wofford, Chief Executive Officer, Corporation for National and Community Service.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, March 12.

INTERNATIONAL SECURITY

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings to examine the role of the Department of Defense in countering the transnational threats of the 21st century, including terrorism, narco-trafficking, and weapons of mass destruction, after receiving testimony from Walter B. Slocombe, Under Secretary of Defense for Policy; Adm. Joseph W. Prueher, USN, Commander-in-Chief, United States Pacific Command; Gen. Charles E. Wilhelm, USMC, Commander-in-Chief, United States Southern Command; and Gen. Peter J. Schoomaker, USA, Commander-in-Chief, United States Special Operations Command.

COMMERCIAL SPACE ACT

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Science, Technology and Space concluded hearings on S. 1473 and H.R. 1702, bills to encourage the development of a commercial space industry in the United States, after receiving testimony from Senators Alard and Graham; John Barker, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State/Bureau of Political-Military Affairs; Keith Calhoun-Senghor, Director, Office of Air and Space Commercialization, Technology Administration, Department of Commerce; Edward A. Frankle, General Counsel, National Aeronautics and Space Administration; Gil I.

Klinger, Acting Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Space; John Copple, Space Imaging, Thornton, Colorado; Michael S. Kelly, Kelly Space and Technology, San Bernardino, California; Robert Meuser, Kistler Aerospace, Kirkland, Washington; and F. Michael Swiek, United States Global Positioning System Industry Council, Washington, D.C.

INTERIOR BUDGET

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded hearings on the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of the Interior, after receiving testimony from Bruce Babbitt, Secretary of the Interior.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee met and approved a report of the committee on the special investigation of illegal or improper activities in connection with the 1996 Federal election campaign.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items: S. 1379, to require disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act regarding certain persons, and disclose Nazi war criminal records without impairing any investigation or prosecution conducted by the Department of Justice or certain intelligence matters, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. Res. 171, designating March 25, 1998, as "Greek Independence Day: A National Day of Celebration of Greek and American Democracy"; and

The nominations of Sonia Sotomayor, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, Susan Graber, of Oregon, to be a United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Sam A. Lindsey, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas, Hilda G. Tagle, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas, Judith M. Barzilay, of New Jersey, and Delissa A. Ridgway, each to be a Judge of the United States Court of International Trade, and Brian Scott Roy, to be a United States Marshal for the Western District of Kentucky.

IMMIGRATION NATURALIZATION PROCESS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration concluded oversight hearings on activities of the Immigration and Naturalization Service of the Department of Justice, focusing on Federal efforts to improve the naturalization process of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, after receiving testimony from Stephen R. Colgate, Assistant Attorney General, Justice Management Division, Michael R. Bromwich, Inspector General, and Cedric Lee, Special Agent, Immigration and Naturalization Service (Honolulu, Hawaii), all of the Department of Justice; Gary M. Ahrens, KPMG Peat Marwick, Dayton,

Ohio; and William Stan Hawthorne, Coopers & Lybrand, Chantilly, Virginia.

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Subcommittee on Children and Families concluded hearings to examine proposals to coordinate Federal and State efforts to establish increased programs to provide after school care for children, including S. 882, to improve academic and social outcomes for students by providing productive activities during after school hours, after receiving testimony from Senator Boxer; Georgia State Senator Mary Margaret Oliver, Atlanta; Mayor Thomas M. Menino, Boston, Massachusetts; Edward A. Flynn, Arlington County Chief of Police, Arlington, Virginia, on behalf of Fight Crime: Invest in Kids; James W. Horne, Jr., Bridgeport Youth Coalition and Bridgeport Board of Education, Bridgeport, Connecticut; Eric Yonnie and Sharon Jones, both of the Chinle Learning Center/ Navajo Nation, Chinle, Arizona; Janet Frieling, School's Out Consortium/YWCA, Seattle, Washington; and Cynthia Kiefer, Nashville, Tennessee.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 70 public bills, H.R. 3337–3406; 1 private bill, H.R. 3407; and 6 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 235–237, and H. Res. 379–381, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: No reports were filed today.

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Calvert to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rabbi Toby H. Manewith of Washington, D.C.

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Wireless Privacy Enhancement Act: The House passed H.R. 2369, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to strengthen and clarify prohibitions on electronic eavesdropping by a yea and nay vote of 414 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 38.

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Agreed to the Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order by the rule.

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Agreed to H. Res. 377, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by a voice vote.

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Child Support Performance and Incentive Act: The House passed H.R. 3130, to provide for an alternative penalty procedure for States that fail to meet Federal child support data processing requirements, to reform Federal incentive payments for effective child support performance, and to provide for a more flexible penalty procedure for States that violate interjurisdictional adoption

requirements by a recorded vote of 414 yeas to 1 no, Roll No. 39. Agreed to amend the title.

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Agreed to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order by the rule; and

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Agreed to the Cardin amendment concerning aliens and permanent residents that denies visas and admission to the United States for nonpayment of child support; requires compliance with child support orders before completion of the naturalization process; authorizes immigration officers to serve legal process in child support cases; and authorizes the Attorney General and the Secretary of State to obtain information on child support payments.

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The Clerk was authorized in the engrossment of H.R. 3130, to make technical and conforming changes as may be necessary to reflect the action of the House.

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H. Res. 378, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to earlier by a voice vote.

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Senate Bill Returned: Agreed to H. Res. 379, returning to the Senate, S. 104, to amend the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982.

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Legislative Program: The Majority Leader announced the legislative program for the week of March 9.

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Meeting Hour—Monday, March 9: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, March 9.

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Meeting Hour—Tuesday, March 10: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, March 9, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 10, for Morning-Hour debate.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday, March 11.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 2602 and 2616. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Committee Meetings

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY INCENTIVES PROGRAMS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Forestry, Resource Conservation, and Research held a hearing to review the implementation of the Environmental Quality Incentives Program. Testimony was heard from Craig Cox, Acting Deputy Under Secretary, Natural Resources and Environment, USDA.

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Departmental Administration, the Chief Financial Officer and the Chief Information Officer. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the USDA: Pearlie Reed, former Acting Assistant Secretary, Administration; Sally Thompson, Chief Financial Officer; and Anne F. Reed, Chief Information Officer.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary, held a hearing on the FBI and the Secretary of Commerce. Testimony was heard from Louis J. Freeh, Director, FBI, Department of Justice; and William M. Daley, Secretary of Commerce.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior continued appropriation hearings, with emphasis on Indian Programs. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Administration for Children and Families and the Administration on Aging. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Service; Clarie V. Broome, M.D., Acting Director, Center for Disease Control and Prevention; Jeanette C. Takamura, M.D., Assistant Secretary, Administration on Aging; Olivia A. Golden, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Administration for Children and Families.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction held a hearing on the Quality of Life and the Senior Enlisted from each Service. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Sgt. Maj. Robert E. Hall, USA; Master Chief Petty Officer John Hagan, USN; Sgt. Maj. Lewis Lee, USMC; and Chief Master Sergeant Eric W. Benken, USAF.

NATIONAL SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on National Security held a hearing on FY 1999 Air Force Budget Overview. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Air Force: F. Whitten Peters, Under Secretary and Gen. Michael E. Ryan, USAF, Chief of Staff.

The Subcommittee also met in executive session to hold a hearing on FY 1999 Air Force Acquisition Pro-

gram. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Air Force: Arthur L. Money, Assistant Secretary (Acquisition) and Lt. Gen. George K. Muellner, USAF, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary (Acquisition).

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation held a hearing on the Coast Guard. Testimony was heard from Adm. Robert E. Kramek, USCG, Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation.

TREASURY-POSTAL SERVICE, GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government held a hearing on Financial Management Services, the Bureau of Engraving and Printing and the Mint. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Richard Gregg, Commissioner, Financial Management Service; Thomas A. Ferguson, Associate Director, Research and Development, Bureau of Engraving and Printing; and Phil Diehl, United States Mint.

VA-HUD-INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies held a hearing on Community Development Financial Institutions. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Treasury: Robert E. Rubin, Secretary; Ellen Lazar, Director, Community Financial Development Institutions Fund; and John D. Hawke, Jr., Under Secretary, Domestic Finance.

INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND REFORM AND AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Ordered reported amended H.R. 3114, International Monetary Fund Reform and Authorization Act of 1998.

SUPERFUND REFORM ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials held a hearing on H.R. 3000, Superfund Reform Act. Testimony was heard from Carol M. Browner, Administrator, EPA; Craig O'Connor, General Counsel, NOAA, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

TOBACCO SETTLEMENT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment held a hearing on the Tobacco Settlement. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**STUDENT LOAN INTEREST RATES—
DEVELOPING CONSENSUS**

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education, Training and Life-Long Learning held a hearing on Developing a Consensus on Student Loan Interest Rates. Testimony was heard from Representatives Gordon and Kanjorski; David A. Longanecker, Assistant Secretary, Office of Postsecondary Education, Department of Education; and Jonathan Gruber, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy Analysis, Department of the Treasury.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Workforce Protections approved for full Committee action amended the following bills: H.R. 2888, Sales Incentive Compensation Act; and H.R. 2327, Drive for Teen Employment Act.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 3249, Federal Retirement Coverage Corrections Act; and H.R. 2883, Government Performance and Results Act Technical Amendments of 1997.

OVERSIGHT—FEC

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information and Technology held an oversight hearing on the Federal Election Commission. Testimony was heard from Representative White; the following officials of the FEC: Joan D. Aikens, Chairman; John C. Surina, Staff Director; and Lawrence M. Noble, General Counsel; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—HEPATITIS C

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Human Resources held an oversight hearing on Public Health 2000: Hepatitis C, the Silent Epidemic. Testimony was heard from David Satcher, M.D., Surgeon General of the United States, Department of Health and Human Services; John F. Mazzuchi, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Clinical and Program Policy, Department of Defense; the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Thomas Holohan, M.D., Chief, Patient Care Services Officer; and Gary Roselle, Program Director, Infectious Diseases; and public witnesses.

**SMALL BUSINESS PAPERWORK REDUCTION
ACT**

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing on H.R. 3310, Small Business Paperwork Reduction Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Jere Glover, Chief Counsel for Advocacy, SBA; and public witnesses.

CAMPAIGN REFORM

Committee on House Oversight: Continued hearings on Campaign Reform. Testimony was heard from Representatives Knollenberg, Cook, Rivers, Clement, Gekas, Gilchrest and Gejdenson.

FOREIGN ASSISTANCE BUDGET REQUEST

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on the Administration's Foreign Assistance Budget request for FY 1999. Testimony was heard from J. Brian Atwood, Administrator, AID, U.S. International Development Cooperation Agency.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific approved for full Committee action amended the following resolutions: H. Res. 364, urging the introduction and passage of a resolution on the human rights situation in the People's Republic of China at the 54th Session of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights; H. Res. 361, calling for free and impartial elections in Cambodia; and H. Con. Res. 218, concerning the urgent need to establish a cease fire in Afghanistan and begin the transition toward a broad-based multiethnic government that observes international norms of behavior.

MULTILATERAL AGREEMENT ON INVESTMENT

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade, hearing on "Multilateral Agreement on Investment: Win, Lose or Draw for the U.S.?" Testimony was heard from Alan Larson, Assistant Secretary for Economic and Business Affairs, Department of State.

CRISIS—GREAT LAKES

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and the Subcommittee on Africa held a joint hearing on the Ongoing Crisis in the Great Lakes. Testimony was heard from Howard Wolpe, Special Envoy, Bureau of African Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

**OVERSIGHT—MASS TORTS AND CLASS ACTION
LAWSUITS**

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property held an oversight hearing regarding mass torts and class action lawsuits. Testimony was heard from Representative Moran of Virginia; Anthony J. Scirica, Judge, United States Circuit, U.S. Court of Appeals, 3rd Circuit; and public witnesses.

NATURALIZATION REFORM ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims held a hearing on H.R. 2837, Naturalization Reform Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Paul Virtue,

General Counsel, Immigration and Naturalization Service; and James S. Angus, Acting Executive Director, Office of Naturalization Operations; and public witnesses.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on National Security: Continued hearings on the fiscal year 1999 National Defense authorization budget request. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Gen. Wesley K. Clark, USA, Commander in Chief, U.S. European Command; and Gen. Anthony C. Zinni, USMC, Commander in Chief, U.S. Central Command.

Hearings continue March 12.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Procurement and Subcommittee on Military Research and Development continued joint hearings on FY 1999 Department of Defense with emphasis on Army modernization. Testimony was heard from Kenneth J. Oscar, Acting Assistant Secretary, Research, Development and Acquisition, Department of the Army.

Hearings continue March 10.

OVERSIGHT—ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT

Committee on Resources: Held an oversight hearing on Endangered Species Act. Testimony was heard from Jamie Rappaport Clark, Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and Rolland Schmitt, Director, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce.

COMMUNITY PROTECTION AND HAZARDOUS FUELS REDUCTION ACT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 2458, Community Protection and Hazardous Fuels Reduction Act of 1997.

OVERSIGHT—ROAD FROM KYOTO; COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Science: Continued oversight hearings on the Road From Kyoto—Part 3: State Department Overview. Testimony was heard from Stuart E. Eizenstat, Under Secretary, Economic, Business and Agricultural Affairs, Department of State.

The committee also approved pending Committee business.

AVIATION MEDICAL ASSISTANCE ACT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 2843, Aviation Medical Assistance Act of 1997.

FAA'S MODERNIZATION PROGRAMS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on FAA's mod-

ernization programs. Testimony was heard from Gerald L. Dillingham, Associate Director, Transportation Issues, GAO; the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Jane Garvey, Administrator, FAA; and Kenneth M. Mead, Inspector General; and public witnesses.

GSA BUDGET AND RELATED ISSUES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Economic Development held a hearing on the GSA's FY 1999 budget and related issues. Testimony was heard from Jacob J. Lew, Deputy Director, OMB; Robert Peck, Commissioner, Public Buildings Service, GSA; Judge Norman Stahl, Chairman, Security and Facilities Committee, U.S. Judicial Conference; J. Peter Basso, Acting Assistant Secretary, Budget and Programs, Department of Transportation; Bernard L. Ungar, Director, Government Business Operations Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Benefits approved for full Committee action the following bills; H.R. 3039, Veterans' Transitional Housing Opportunities Act of 1997; and H.R. 3211, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to enact into law eligibility requirements for burial at Arlington National Cemetery, H.R. 3213, to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify enforcement of veterans' employment rights with respect to a State as an employer or a private employer, to extend veterans' employment and reemployment rights to members of the uniformed services employed abroad by United States companies.

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Friday, March 6, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2782–2846

Measures Introduced: Ten bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1721–1730. **Page 2810**

Measures Passed:

William Augustus Bootle Federal Building/Courthouse: Senate passed H.R. 595, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 475 Mulberry Street in Macon, Georgia, as the "William Augustus Bootle Federal Building and United States Courthouse", clearing the measure for the President. **Page 2842**

Year 2000 Computer Problems: Senate passed H.R. 3116, to address the Year 2000 computer problems with regard to financial institutions, and to extend examination parity to the Director of the Office of Thrift Super-

vision and the National Credit Union Administration, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 2842**

ISTEA Authorization: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1173, to authorize funds for construction of highways, for highway safety programs, and for mass transit programs, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 1676), taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

Baucus (for Kerrey) Amendment No. 1719 (to Amendment No. 1676), to include the enhancement of safety at at-grade railway-highway crossings and the achievement of national transportation safety goals in the purposes of the intelligent transportation system program. **Page 2800**

Baucus (for Kerrey) Amendment No. 1720 (to Amendment No. 1676), to include the development of techniques to eliminate at-grade railway-highway crossings in the goals of the innovative bridge research and construction program. **Page 2801**

Baucus (for Wellstone) Amendment No. 1721 (to Amendment No. 1676), to ensure that there is adequate opportunity for public participation in the certification of transportation planning processes of metropolitan areas. **Page 2801**

Chafee (for Domenici) Amendment No. 1722 (to Amendment No. 1676), to add the projected increase in commercial traffic to the factors that the Secretary of Transportation is required to consider in selecting recipients of grants for trade corridors and border infrastructure safety and congestion relief. **Page 2801**

Chafee Amendment No. 1723 (to Amendment No. 1676), to make technical and clarifying corrections. **Page 2803**

Chafee Amendment No. 1725 (to Amendment No. 1676), to make certain technical corrections. **Page 2804**

Rejected:

McConnell Amendment No. 1708 (to Amendment No. 1676), to require that Federal surface transportation funds be used to encourage development and outreach to emerging business enterprises, including those owned by minorities and women, and to prohibit discrimination and preferential treatment based on race, color, national origin, or sex, with respect to use of those funds, in compliance with the equal protection provisions of the fifth and 14th amendments to the Constitution. (By 58 yeas to 37 nays (Vote No. 23), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Page 2782**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the modified committee amendment (Amendment No. 1676) and, by consent agreement, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Monday, March 9, 1998. **Page 2798**

Senate will resume consideration of the bill on Monday, March 9, 1998.

Sam Nunn Federal Center: Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to S. 347, to designate the Federal building located at 61 Forsyth Street, S.W., in Atlanta, Georgia, as the "Sam Nunn Atlanta Federal Center", clearing the measure for the President. **Page 2842**

Intelligence Disclosure—Agreement: A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 1668, to encourage the disclosure to Congress of certain classified and related information, with a vote on passage of the bill to occur on Monday, March 9, 1998. **Page 2841**

Executive Report of a Committee: Senate received the following executive report of a committee:

Protocols to the North Atlantic Treaty of 1949 on Accession of Poland, Hungary, and the Czech Republic which were opened for signature at Brussels on December 16, 1997, and signed on behalf of the United States of America and other parties to the North Atlantic Treaty, with seven declarations and four conditions. (Ex. Rept. No. 105-14) **Page 2807**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Robert T. Grey, Jr., of Virginia, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as United States Representative to the Conference on Disarmament.

George McGovern, of South Dakota, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as U.S. Representative to the United Nations Agencies for Food and Agriculture.

Routine lists in the Foreign Service. **Pages 2840, 2846**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Joseph W. Westphal, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army.

Arthur Levitt, Jr., of New York, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission for the term expiring June 5, 2003.

19 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

12 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Army. **Page 2844**

Executive Reports of Committees: **Page 2807**

Statements on Introduced Bills: **Page 2810**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page 2835**

Amendments Submitted: **Page 2836**

Authority for Committees: **Page 2841**

Additional Statements: **Page 2841**

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—23) **Page 2797**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 3:22 p.m., until 12 noon, on Monday, March

9, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page 2844.)

Committee Meetings

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS: BOSNIA AND IRAQ

Committee on Appropriations: Committee concluded hearings on proposed legislation making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998 for contingency operations in Bosnia and Iraq, and for recovery from natural disasters in the Northeast, California and Guam, after receiving testimony from William S. Cohen, Secretary of Defense; and Gen. Hugh H. Shelton, USA, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

TOBACCO SETTLEMENT: CIVIL LIABILITY

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee held hearings on the civil liability protection provisions of S. 1530, to resolve ongoing tobacco litigation, to reform the civil justice system responsible for adjudicating tort claims against companies that manufacture tobacco products, and establish a national tobacco policy for the United States that will decrease youth tobacco use and reduce the marketing of tobacco products to young Americans, receiving testimony from Senator Conrad, Mississippi Attorney General Mike Moore, Jackson; Stanley M. Chesley, Waite, Schneider, Bayless & Chesley Co., Cincinnati, Ohio; Richard D. Hailey, Indianapolis, Indiana, on behalf of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America; Colorado Attorney General Gale Norton, Denver; John R. Garrison, American Lung Association, Washington, D.C.; D. Scott Wise, Davis, Polk & Wardwell, New York, New York.

Hearings continue on Thursday, March 12.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will next meet on Monday, March 9.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Monday, March 9, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2852-2974

Measures Introduced: Two bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1731-1732, S. Con. Res. 81, and S. Res. 193.

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Measures Passed:

Intelligence Disclosure: By 93 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 24), Senate passed S. 1668, to encourage the disclosure to Congress of certain classified and related information.

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ISTEA Authorization: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1173, to authorize funds for construction of highways, for highway safety programs, and for mass transit programs, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 1676), taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

Pages 2857, 2861, 2872

Adopted:

Chafee Amendment No. 1718 (to Amendment No. 1676), to require the Secretary of Transportation to reduce the amounts made available under the bill for fiscal year 1998 by the amounts made available under the Surface Transportation Extension Act of 1997.

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Chafee Amendment No. 1841 (to Amendment No. 1676), to make technical and clarifying corrections.

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Chafee (for DeWine) Amendment No. 1724 (to Amendment No. 1676), to specify further penalties and the use of withheld funds under the section relating to minimum penalties for repeat offenders for driving while intoxicated or driving under the influence.

Page 2863

Chafee Amendment No. 1922 (to Amendment No. 1676), to codify the transportation infrastructure finance and innovation provisions.

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Pending:

D'Amato Amendment No. 1931 (to Amendment No. 1676), to reauthorize the mass transit programs of the Federal Government.

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Amendment adoption vitiated/withdrawn:

By unanimous-consent, adoption of Amendment No. 1310, to prohibit the use of proceeds from the issuance by any State or local government of tax-exempt bonds for any project financing, prepayments, or repayments under the Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act of 1997, agreed to on October 8, 1997, was vitiated and the amendment was withdrawn.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the cloture vote scheduled to occur today now occur at a day and time to be determined by the Majority Leader, after notification of the Democratic Leader, and for the filing first and second degree amendments.

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Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Tuesday, March 10, 1998.

Indictment Against Saddam Hussein—Agreement: A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. Con. Res. 78, relating

to the indictment and prosecution of Saddam Hussein for war crimes and other crimes against humanity. **Page 2974**

Statements on Introduced Bills: **Page 2876**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page 2876**

Amendments Submitted: **Page 2877**

Notices of Hearings: **Page 2967**

Authority for Committees: **Page 2968**

Additional Statements: **Page 2968**

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—24) **Page 2871**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon, and adjourned at 6:17 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, March 10, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record, on page 2974.)

Committee Meetings

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring, and the District of Columbia concluded hearings to examine the District of Columbia Public Schools' efforts to repair school roofs during the summer of 1997, focusing on the availability of funds and the cost of the fiscal year 1997 capital improvement program procurement process, after receiving testimony from Gloria L. Jarmon, Director, Health, Education, and Human Services Accounting and Financial Management Issues, Accounting and Information Management Division, General Accounting Office; David L. Cotton, Cotton & Company, Alexandria, Virginia; Joyce Ladner, Member, District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority; Julius W. Becton, Jr., Chief Executive Officer, District of Columbia Public Schools; and Taalib-Din Uqдах, Washington, D.C.

JUVENILE RECORD KEEPING

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Youth Violence concluded hearings to examine the effectiveness of the juvenile record keeping requirement provisions of S. 10, to reduce violent juvenile crime, promote accountability by juvenile criminals, and punish and deter violent gang crime (pending on Senate calendar), after receiving testimony from Charles W. Archer, Assistant Director, Criminal Justice Information Services Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; Lewis Vass, Virginia Department of State Police, Richmond; and Gary R. Cooper, Sacramento, California, and Robert R. Belair, Washington, D.C., both on behalf of SEARCH/National Consortium for Justice Information and Statistics.

BABY BOOMERS' LONG-TERM CARE

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded hearings to examine the financial challenge for individuals and policy makers of meeting the long-term care needs of the baby boom generation, focusing on how retirement of the baby boomers will impact the demand for long-term care, the ability of public budgets to provide those services, and the projected retirement income of baby boomers, after receiving testimony from William J. Scanlon, Director, Health Financing and Systems Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; Mathew Greenwald, Mathew Greenwald & Associates, Inc., Janemarie Mulvey and Barbara Stucki, both of the American Council of Life Insurance, and Joshua M. Wiener, Urban Institute, all of Washington, D.C.; Samuel Morgante, GE Capital Assurance Company, San Rafael, California, on behalf of the Health Insurance Association of America; Roger Auerbach, Oregon Department of Human Resources, Salem; Alan Lazaroff, Centura Health, Denver, Colorado, on behalf of the National Chronic Care Consortium; Mark J. Schulte, Brookdale Living Communities, Inc., Chicago, Illinois, on behalf of the American Seniors Housing Association; and Lynda Gormus, Richmond, Virginia.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 1 public bill, H.R. 3408; and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 238, were introduced. **Page 2851**

Reports Filed: No reports were filed today.

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Tiahrt to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 2847**

Quorum Calls—Votes: No quorum calls or recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: Met at 2:00 p.m. and adjourned at 2:04 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

Tuesday, March 10, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2983–3033

Measures Introduced: Eight bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1733–1740, S. Con. Res. 82–83, and S. Res. 194–195. **Page 3016**

Report of a Committee: Reports were made as follows:

Final Report entitled "Investigation of Illegal or Improper Activities in Connection With 1996 Federal Election Campaigns". (S. Rept. No. 105–167) **Page 3016**

ISTEA Authorization: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1173, to authorize funds for construction of highways, for highway safety programs, and for mass transit programs, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 1676), taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

Pages 2983, 3000

Adopted:

By 96 yeas to 4 nays (Vote No. 25), D'Amato Modified Amendment No. 1931 (to Amendment No. 1676), to reauthorize the mass transit programs of the Federal Government. **Pages 2983, 3000**

Allard-Grams Amendment No. 1940 (to Amendment No. 1931), to make the Fixed Guideway Program more equitable. **Page 2997**

Specter Amendment No. 1941 (to Amendment No. 1931), to make reverse commute project grants eligible for assistance under the job access grants program. **Page 3000**

Thomas/Johnson Amendment No. 1942 (to Amendment No. 1931), to increase funding for assistance for areas other than urbanized areas. **Page 3005**

D'Amato (for Nickles) Amendment No. 1943 (to Amendment No. 1931), to permit States to use assistance under the mass transit account of the Highway Trust Fund for capital improvements to, and operating support for, intercity passenger rail service. **Page 3007**

Reed (for Boxer) Amendment No. 1944 (to Amendment No. 1931), relating to capital projects and small area flexibility. **Page 3007**

Graham/Murray Amendment No. 1945 (to Amendment No. 1931), relating to criteria for grants and loans for Fixed Guideway Systems. **Page 3008**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Wednesday, March 11, 1998.

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report entitled "The 1996 Annual Report on Alaska's Mineral Resources"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. (PM–108).

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Transmitting the report concerning Federal agency climate change programs and activities; referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM–109). **Page 3016**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations: Brian Scott Roy, of Kentucky, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Kentucky for the term of four years. **Page 3033**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Shirley Elizabeth Barnes, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Madagascar.

Charles Richard Stith, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the United Republic of Tanzania.

William Lacy Swing, of North Carolina, to be Ambassador to the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

3 Coast Guard nominations in the rank of admiral.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral. **Page 3033**

Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nomination:

Tracy D. Conwell, of Texas, to be Member of the National Museum Services Board for a term expiring December 6, 2001, which was sent to the Senate on February 11, 1997. **Page 3033**

Messages From the President: **Page 3016**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—25) **Page 3010**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:07 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Wednesday, March 11, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record, on page 3033.)

Committee Meetings

FEDERAL CROP INSURANCE PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings to examine the current Federal crop insurance program and proposals to improve the system, after receiving testimony from Representatives Pomeroy and Collin Peterson; Dallas R. Smith, Deputy Under Secretary of Agriculture for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services, on behalf of the Risk Management Agency; Ernest L. Ross, American Association of Crop Insurers,

Washington, D.C.; Robert E. Fulwider, West Liberty, Iowa, on behalf of the Independent Insurance Agents of America and the National Association of Crop Insurance Agents; Dee Vaughan, Lone Star Corn Growers Association, Dumas, Texas, on behalf of the National Corn Growers Association and the American Farm Bureau Federation; and Phil Cyre, South Dakota Farmers Union, Hazel, South Dakota, on behalf of the National Farmers Union.

APPROPRIATIONS—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for military construction programs, focusing on Air Force and Navy projects, after receiving testimony from Robert B. Pirie, Jr., Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Installations and Environment); Rear Adm. David Nash, Chief, Naval Facilities Engineering Command; Brig. Gen. James M. Hayes, Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff for Installations and Logistics (Facilities), United States Marine Corps; Rear Adm. John B. Totushek, Deputy Director of Naval Reserve; Rodney A. Coleman, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Manpower, Reserve Affairs, Installations, and Environment); Maj. Gen. Eugene A. Lupia, Civil Engineer, Deputy Chief of Air Force Staff, Installations and Logistics; Maj. Gen. Paul A. Weaver, Director, Air National Guard; and Brig. Gen. Ralph S. Clem, Deputy to the Chief of Air Force Reserve.

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Food and Nutrition Service, Department of Agriculture, receiving testimony from Shirley R. Watkins, Under Secretary, Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services, Yvette Jackson, Administrator, and Ronald J. Vogel, Associate Deputy Administrator, Special Nutrition Programs, both of the Food and Nutrition Service, and Dennis Kaplan, Deputy Director, Budget, Legislation, and Regulatory Systems, all of the Department of Agriculture.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, March 17.

CHILD PORNOGRAPHY ON THE INTERNET

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary and Related Agencies concluded hearings to review the progress of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on-line investigation into the scope of child pornography and sexual exploitation of children on the Internet and to examine whether additional funding is necessary to continue the project, after receiving testimony from Louis J. Freeh, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; and Ernest E. Allen, National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, Arlington, Virginia.

APPROPRIATIONS—DOE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Energy, receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respective activities from Dan W. Reicher, Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, and Martha A. Krebs, Director, Office of Energy Research, both of the Department of Energy.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, March 26.

APPROPRIATIONS—HHS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Health and Human Services, receiving testimony from Donna E. Shalala, Secretary of Health and Human Services.

Subcommittee will meet again on Wednesday, March 18.

MEDICARE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held hearings to examine the status of the Health Care Financing Administration's efforts to establish resource-based practice expenses under the Medicare physician fee schedule as directed by the Balanced Budget Act of 1997, receiving testimony from Nancy-Ann Min DeParle, Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Neil H. Brooks, Rockville, Connecticut, on behalf of the American Academy of Family Physicians; Arthur L. Day, University of Florida, Gainesville, on behalf of the Practice Expense Coalition; Timothy J. Gardner, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, on behalf of the Society of Thoracic Surgeons and the American Association for Thoracic Surgery; and Alan R. Nelson, American Society of Internal Medicine, Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Seapower held hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on littoral warfare missions in the 21st century, receiving testimony from Vice Adm. Conrad C. Lautenbacher, Jr., USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Resources; Major Gen. Edward Hanlon, Jr., USMC, Director Expeditionary Warfare; Rear Adm. Daniel J. Murphy, Jr., USN, Director, Surface Warfare; Rear Adm. Edmund P. Giambastiani, Jr., USN, Director, Submarine Warfare; and Rear Adm. Dennis V. McGinn, USN, Director, Air Warfare.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, March 17.

FINANCIAL REGULATORY RELIEF

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1405, to provide for improved monetary policy and regulatory reform in financial institution management and activities, to streamline financial regulatory agency actions, and to provide for improved consumer credit disclosure, after receiving testimony from Laurence H. Meyer, Member, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; John D. Hawke, Jr., Under Secretary for Domestic Finance, and Ellen Seidman, Director, Office of Thrift Supervision, both of the Department of the Treasury; Andrew C. Hove, Jr., Acting Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Utah Commissioner of Financial Institutions G. Edward Leary, Salt Lake City, on behalf of the Conference of State Bank Supervisors; Stephen A. Yoder, AmSouth Bank, Birmingham, Alabama, on behalf of the American Bankers Association; E. Lee Beard, First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Hazleton, Hazleton, Pennsylvania; and Joseph S. Bracewell, Century National Bank, on behalf of the Independent Bankers Association of America, Margot Saunders, National Consumer Law Center, on behalf of the Consumer Federation of America and the U.S. Public Interest Research Group, and Frank C. Torres, III, Consumers Union, all of Washington, D.C.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Orson Swindle, of Hawaii, and Mozelle Willmont Thompson, of New York, each to be a Federal Trade Commissioner; Robert J. Shapiro, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Economic Affairs, John Charles Horsley, of Washington, to be Associate Deputy Secretary of Transportation, and Christy Carpenter, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Swindle was introduced by Senators Inouye and Akaka, Mr. Thompson was introduced by Representative Nadler, Ms. Carpenter was introduced by Senators Hutchison and Boxer, Mr. Horsley was introduced by Senators Gorton and Murray and Representative Dicks, and Mr. Shapiro was introduced by Senators Lieberman and Moynihan.

MONTAGNARD PEOPLE IN VIETNAM

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings to examine the current situation confronting the Montagnard people in Vietnam, including their limited access to medical care and education, focusing on the United States historical relationship with the Montagnards, and immigration difficulties experienced by the Montagnards and other Vietnamese refugees, after receiving testimony from Stanley O. Roth, Assistant Secretary for East Asian and Pacific Affairs, and Julia Taft,

Assistant Secretary for Population, Refugees, and Migration, both of the Department of State; John F. Sommer, Jr., American Legion, Washington, D.C.; Nguyen Dinh Thang, Boat People S.O.S., Fairfax, Virginia; Rong Nay, Montagnard Foundation, Inc., Cary, North Carolina; and Y Hin Nie, Montagnard Dega Association, Inc., Greensboro, North Carolina.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 981, to provide for the analysis of regulatory rules by Federal agencies, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 1364, to eliminate unnecessary and wasteful Federal reports, with an amendment.

U.S. MARSHALS SELECTION PROCESS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings to examine the need to develop a competitive selection process for the United States Marshals Service, and a related measure H.R. 927, to provide for appointment of United States Marshals by the U.S. Attorney General, after receiving testimony from Eduardo Gonzalez, Director, Henry E. Hudson, former Director, and Nancy J. McGillivray-Shaffer, United States Marshal for the District of Massachusetts, Boston, all of the United States Marshals Service, Department of Justice; Victor Oboyski, Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association, East Northport, New York; and Steve Young, Fraternal Order of Police, Washington, D.C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 24 public bills, H.R. 3409–3432; and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 239, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2883, to amend provisions of law enacted by the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993 to improve Federal agency strategic plans and performance reports, amended (H. Rept. 105–429);

H. Res. 382, providing for consideration of H.R. 992, to end the Tucker Act shuffle (H. Rept. 105–430);

H. Res. 383, providing for consideration of H.R. 1432, to authorize a new trade and investment policy for sub-Saharan Africa (H. Rept. 105–431); and

Conference Report on H.R. 1757, to consolidate international affairs agencies, to authorize appropriations for the Department of State and related agencies for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 (H. Rept. 105–432).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Emerson to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 3034**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, the Reverend Dr. Thomas F. Gulbranson of Alexandria, Virginia. **Page 3040**

Journal: By a ye and nay vote of 365 yeas to 39 nays, Roll No. 40, the House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Monday, March, 9. **Pages 3041, 3049**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:50 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m. and the House recessed at 2:20 and reconvened at 4:21 p.m. **Page 3043**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Commemoration of the Victims of the Holocaust: H. Con. Res. 206, permitting the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 406 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 41); and **Pages 3043, 3049**

Birth Defects Prevention Act: S. 419, to provide surveillance, research, and services aimed at prevention of birth defects (passed by a ye and nay vote of 405 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 42)—clearing the measure for the President. **Pages 3044, 3050**

Recess: The House recessed at 4:49 and reconvened at 5:00 p.m. **Page 3048**

Appointment of Conferee: The Chair removed Representative Leach as a conferee on H.R. 1757, to consolidate international affairs agencies and to authorize appropriations for the Department of State and related agencies for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, and appointed Representative Burton of Indiana to fill the vacancy. **Page 3049**

Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

Alaska Mineral Resources: Message wherein he transmitted the 1996 Annual Report on Alaska's Mineral Resources—referred to the Committee on Resources; and **Page 3141**

Climate Change Programs: Message wherein he transmitted an account of all Federal agency climate change programs and activities—referred to the Committees on Science, International Relations, and Appropriations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-226). **Page 3141**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on page 3034.

Referrals: S. 1668, to encourage the disclosure to Congress of certain classified and related information was referred to the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. **Page 3145**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 3149.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three ye and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 3049, 3050, and 3051. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 11:24 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Food Safety and Inspection Service. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the USDA: Catherine Woreki, Under Secretary, Caren A. Wilcox, Deputy Under Secretary, Thomas J. Billy, Administrator and William West, Assistant Deputy Administrator, Management, all with the Food Safety and Inspection Service; and Stephen B. Durhurst, Budget Officer.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development held a hearing on the Department of Energy. Testimony was heard from Federico Pena, Secretary of Energy.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior held a hearing on the Secretary of the Interior. Testimony was heard from Bruce Babbitt, Secretary of the Interior.

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on the Director, National Institutes of Health. Testimony was heard from Harold E. Varmus, M.D., Director, NIH, Department of Health and Human Services.

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation held a hearing on the FAA. Testimony was heard from Jane F. Garvey, Administrator, FAA, Department of Transportation.

VA-HUD-INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies held a hearing on EPA. Testimony was heard from Carol M. Browner, Administrator, EPA.

CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth, and Families held a hearing on Child Nutrition Programs. Testimony was heard from Ed Cooney, Deputy Administrator, Special Nutrition Programs, Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services, USDA; Bob Robinson, Director, Issue Area, GAO; Joyce Holmes Benjamin, Associate Superintendent, Department of Education, State of Oregon; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT INVESTIGATION—TEAMSTERS ELECTION

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations approved the issuance of subpoena duces tecum in the oversight investigation of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters election.

CONGRESSIONAL REVIEW ACT IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing on the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs implementation of the Congressional Review Act. Testimony was heard from Robert Murphy, General Counsel, GAO; and a public witness.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE; MIDDLE EAST—DEVELOPMENTS

Committee on International Relations: Began markup of H. Con. Res. 277, directing the President pursuant to section 5(c) of the War Powers Resolution to remove United States Armed Forces from the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Will continue tomorrow.

The Committee also held a hearing on developments in the Middle East. Testimony was heard from Martin Indyk, Assistant Secretary, Near Eastern Affairs, Department of State.

JUDICIAL REFORM ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Began markup of H.R. 1252, Judicial Reform Act of 1997.

Will continue March 24.

CONSUMER BANKRUPTCY ISSUES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on the consumer bankruptcy issues in H.R. 3150, Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1998; H.R. 2500, Responsible Borrower Protection Bankruptcy Act; and H.R. 3146, Consumer Lenders and Borrowers Bankruptcy Accountability Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Representatives McCollum, Boucher and Moran of Virginia; Edith Holan Jones, Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit; Randall J. Newsome, U.S. Bankruptcy Judge, Northern District of California; and public witnesses.

MARITIME ADMINISTRATION AND PANAMA CANAL COMMISSION AUTHORIZATIONS

Committee on National Security: Special Oversight Panel on the Merchant Marine held a hearing on the fiscal year 1999 Maritime Administration authorization request and related matters, and the fiscal year 1999 Panama Canal Commission authorization request and related matters. Testimony was heard from John F. Graykowski, Acting Maritime Administrator, Department of Transportation; Togo D. West, Jr., Chairman, Board, Panama Canal Commission and Secretary of the Army; and Alberto Aleman, Administrator, Panama Canal Commission.

MILITARY HOUSING PRIVATIZATION INITIATIVE

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Installations and Facilities held a hearing on the implementation of the military housing privatization initiative. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: John B. Goodman, Deputy Under Secretary (Industrial Affairs and Installations); Paul W. Jonson, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Army (Installations and Facilities); Duncan Holaday, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Navy (Installations and Facilities); and Jimmy Dishner, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Air Force (Installations).

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION BUDGET REQUEST

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Procurement and the Subcommittee on Military Research and Development continued joint hearings on the fiscal year 1999 National Defense authorization request, with emphasis on Air Force Modernization. Testimony was heard from Lt. Gen. George K. Muellner, USAF, Principal Deputy, Acquisition, Department of the Air Force.

OVERSIGHT—INTERIOR COLUMBIA BASIN ECOSYSTEM MANAGEMENT PROJECT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held an oversight hearing on Interior Columbia Basin Ecosystem Management Project. Testimony was heard from Michael Dombeck, Chief, Forest Service, USDA; Martha Hahn, Idaho State Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

AFRICA GROWTH AND OPPORTUNITY ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a structured rule providing 2 hours of debate on H.R. 1432, Africa Growth and Opportunity Act. The rule provides for consideration of the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill, as modified by the amendments printed in part 1 of the report of the Committee on Rules, as an original bill for the purpose of amendment which shall be considered as read. The rule waives points of order against the committee amendment for failure to comply with clause 7 of Rule XVI (prohib-

iting nongermane amendments). The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in part 2 of the report of the Committee on Rules. The rule provides that the amendments will be considered only in the order specified in the report, may be offered only by the Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report, equally divided between a proponent and an opponent and are not subject to amendment. The rule allows the chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Gilman, Representatives Crane, Collins, Miller of Florida, Menendez, Brown of Ohio, Rangel, Spratt, Waters, Bishop and Davis of Illinois.

TUCKER ACT SHUFFLE RELIEF ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 992, Tucker Act Shuffle Relief Act of 1997. The rule makes in order as an original bill for the purpose of amendment the Judiciary Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, which shall be considered as read. The rule provides that Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record prior to their consideration will be given priority in recognition to offer their amendments if otherwise consistent with House rules. The rule allows the chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representative Smith of Texas and Watt of North Carolina.

ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN IN SCIENCE, ENGINEERING, AND TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT ACT

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Technology and the Subcommittee on Basic Research Subcommittee on Technology held a joint hearing on H.R. 3007, Advancement of Women in Science, Engineering, and Technology Development Act. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

SUPERFUND ACCELERATION, FAIRNESS, AND EFFICIENCY ACT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment continued markup of H.R. 2727, Superfund Acceleration, Fairness, and Efficiency Act.

Will continue tomorrow.

OVERSIGHT—PENSION ISSUES

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held an oversight hearing of pension issues. Testimony was heard from David Strauss, Executive Director, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation; William J. Scanlon, Director, Health Financing and Systems Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Seven bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1741–1747. **Page 3226**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. Res. 187, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the human rights situation in the People's Republic of China. **Page 3226**

Measures Passed:

Bulletproof Vest Partnership Act: Senate passed S. 1605, to establish a matching grant program to help States, units of local government, and Indian tribes to purchase armor vests for use by law enforcement officers, after agreeing to a committee amendment. **Page 3259**

U.S./Thailand Bilateral Relations: Senate agreed to S. Res. 174, to state the sense of the Senate that Thailand is a key partner and friend of the United States, has committed itself to executing its responsibilities under its arrangements with the International Monetary Fund, and that the United States should be prepared to take appropriate steps to ensure continued close bilateral relations, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto: **Page 3262**

Chafee (for Roth) Amendment No. 1980, relating to the relationship between the United States and Thailand. **Page 3262**

Chafee Amendment No. 1981, to amend the preamble. **Page 3263**

ISTEA Authorization: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1173, to authorize funds for construction of highways, for highway safety programs, and for mass transit programs, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 1676), taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Page 3175**

Adopted:

Chafee Amendment 3176, No. 1951 (to Amendment No. 1676), to provide additional assistance to certain donor States. **Pages 3175, 3181, 3216**

Subsequently, the amendment was modified. **Page 3175**
 Bond/Reid Amendment No. 1952 (to Amendment No. 1676), to express the sense of the Senate concerning the operation of certain double-trailer and triple-trailer trucks. **Page 3176**

McCain/Hollings Amendment No. 1953 (to Amendment No. 1676), to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to implement hazardous material transportation pilot programs for certain farm service vehicles. **Page 3178**

Abraham/Levin Amendment No. 1380 (to Amendment No. 1676), to provide for continuation of eligibility for the International Bridge, Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan. **Page 3181**

Abraham Amendment No. 1955 (to Amendment No. 1676), to improve the provisions relating to credit for acquired lands. **Page 3181**

Brownback Amendment No. 1956 (to Amendment No. 1676), relating to trail use and management of railroad rights-of-way. **Pages 3182, 3187**

Abraham Modified Amendment No. 1911 (to Amendment No. 1676), to save lives and prevent injuries to children in motor vehicles through an improved national, State, and local child protection program. **Pages 3185, 3193**

Warner (for Hutchinson) Amendment No. 1957 (to Amendment No. 1676), to allow States to use a portion of their surface transportation funds to combat fuel tax evasion. **Page 3187**

Warner (for Stevens) Amendment No. 1958 (to Amendment No. 1676), to allow for the application of anti-icing applications to be eligible for certain Federal aid highway funds. **Page 3187**

Warner (for Murkowski/Stevens) Amendment No. 1769 (to Amendment No. 1676), to repeal certain redundant transportation planning requirements. **Page 3188**

Warner (for Specter/Moynihan/Santorum) Amendment No. 1838 (to Amendment No. 1676), to improve the magnetic levitation transportation technology deployment program. **Pages 3188, 3190**

Warner (for Campbell/Gramm) Amendment No. 1959 (to Amendment No. 1676), to establish a prohibition on lobbying activities. **Page 3189**

Warner/Chafee/Baucus Amendment No. 1960 (to Amendment No. 1676), to give preference under the Interstate 4R and bridge discretionary program to States that are bordered by 2 navigable rivers that each comprise at least 10 percent of the boundary of the State. **Page 3191**

Warner (for Levin/Abraham) Amendment No. 1961 (to Amendment No. 1676), to provide that a State with respect to which certain conditions are met shall be eligible for the funds made available to carry out the high density transportation program that remain after each State that meets the primary eligibility criteria for the program has received the minimum amount of funds. **Page 3191**

Baucus (for Daschle) Amendment No. 1962 (to Amendment No. 1676), to provide additional uses for the payment by Amtrak to non-Amtrak States. **Page 3191**

Roth Amendment No. 1963 (to Amendment No. 1676), to extend for six years the existing transportation taxes and tax credits, to extend the ethanol tax exemption, to provide for a repeal of the tax on diesel fuel used by trains, and to provide for an increase in the tax exemption for employer-provided transit passes. **Pages 3194, 3213**

McConnell Amendment No. 1969 (to Amendment No. 1676), to allow entities and persons to comply with court orders relating to disadvantaged business enterprises and to require the Comptroller General to carry out a biennial review of the impact of complying with requirements relating to disadvantaged business enterprises. **Page 3211**

Chafee (for Byrd) Amendment No. 1970 (to Amendment No. 1676), to impose certain requirements concerning the biennial infrastructure investment needs report. **Page 3213**

Chafee (for Moseley-Braun Amendment No. 1971 (to Amendment No. 1676), to improve highway safety by utilizing different crash cushion designs. **Page 3214**

Chafee (for Sarbanes) Amendment No. 1972 (to Amendment No. 1676), to authorize the continuance of commercial operations at the service plazas on the John F. Kennedy Memorial Highway. **Page 3214**

Chafee (for Moynihan) Amendment No. 1973 (to Amendment No. 1676), to provide for the inclusion of the Secretary of Transportation and Federal Railroad Administrator on the Boards of Directors of the Pennsylvania Station Redevelopment Corporation and the Union Station Redevelopment Corporation. **Page 3214**

Chafee (for McCain) Amendment No. 1974 (to Amendment No. 1676), to reduce the amounts authorized to be appropriated for motor carrier safety. **Page 3214**

Chafee Amendment No. 1975 (to Amendment No. 1676), to make a technical correction. **Page 3214**

Stevens Amendment No. 1976 (to Amendment No. 1676), to authorize the ferry discretionary program. **Page 3214**

Warner (for Cleland) Amendment No. 1977 (to Amendment No. 1676), to add certain counties to the Appalachian region for the purposes of the Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965. **Page 3216**

Chafee (for Stevens/Murkowski) Amendment No. 1979 (to Amendment No. 1676), to provide for the reconstruction of national defense highways located outside the United States. **Page 3217**

Jeffords Modified Amendment No. 1716 (to Amendment No. 1676), to provide for the preservation of historic covered bridges in the United States. **Page 3219**

Rejected:

McCain Amendment No. 1968 (to Amendment No. 1963), to prohibit extension of inequitable ethanol sub-

sides. (By 71 yeas to 26 nays (Vote No. 27), Senate tabled the amendment. **Page 3206**

Pending:

McCain Amendment No. 1726 (to Amendment No. 1676), to provide that demonstration projects shall be subject to any limitation on obligations established by law that applies in Federal-aid highways and highway safety construction programs. **Pages 3179, 3193**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 18 yeas to 80 nays (Vote No. 26), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected a motion to waive section 311(a)(2)(b) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 with respect to the consideration of Mack Amendment No. 1906 (to Amendment No. 1963), to repeal the 4.3-cent transportation motor fuels excise tax. Subsequently, a point of order that the amendment was in violation of the Congressional Budget Act was sustained, and the amendment thus fell. **Page 3196**

By 96 yeas to 3 nays (Vote 28), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to close further debate on the modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 1676). **Page 3216**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Thursday, March 12, 1998. **Page 3263**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report of a Presidential Determination (98-17) relative to Vietnam; referred to the Committee on Finance. (PM-110). **Page 3226**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Hilda G. Tagle, of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas.

Sam A. Lindsay, of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas.

Judith M. Barzilay, of New Jersey, to be a Judge of the United States Court of International Trade.

Delissa A. Ridgway, of the District of Columbia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of International Trade. **Page 3263**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Thomas Ehrlich, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term of five years.

Dorothy A. Johnson, of Michigan, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term of five years.

Alice Rae Yelen, of Louisiana, to be a Member of the National Museum Services Board for a term expiring December 6, 2001.

Stephen C. Robinson, of Connecticut, to be United States Attorney for the District of Connecticut for the term of four years. **Page 3264**

Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nomination:

Ida L. Castro, of New York, to be Director of the Women's Bureau, Department of Labor, which was sent to the Senate on October 9, 1997. **Page 3264**

Messages From the President: **Page 3226**

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Additional Cosponsors: **Page 3238**

Amendments Submitted: **Page 3240**

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total-28) **Pages 3205, 3210, 3216**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 6:48 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, March 12, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record, on page 3264.)

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense, focusing on Navy and Marine Corps programs, receiving testimony from John H. Dalton, Secretary of the Navy; Adm. Jay L. Johnson, Chief of Naval Operations; and Gen. Charles C. Krulak, Commandant of the Marine Corps.

Subcommittee will meet again on Wednesday, March 18.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Airland Forces held hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on land forces modernization, receiving testimony from Lt. Gen. Paul J. Kern, USA, Military Deputy Director/Assistant Secretary of the Army (Research, Development and Acquisition); Lt. Gen. John N. Abrams, USA, Deputy Commanding General, United States Training and Doctrine Command; Maj. Gen. Michael J. Williams, USMC, Commanding General, Marine Corps Systems Command; and Lt. Gen. John E. Rhodes, USMC, Commanding General, Marine Corps Combat Development Command.

Subcommittee will meet again on Wednesday, March 25.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Personnel held hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on the military health system, receiving testimony from Gary A. Christopherson, Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs; Lt. Gen. Ronald R. Blanck, USA, Surgeon General of the Army; Vice Adm. Harold M. Koenig, USN, Surgeon General of the Navy; Lt. Gen. Charles E. Roadman, II, USAF, Surgeon General of the Air Force; David J. McIntyre, Jr., TriWest Healthcare Alliance, Phoenix, Arizona; Robert E. Shields, Humana Military Healthcare Services, Inc., Louisville, Kentucky; Capt. Calvin C. Dudley, USN (Ret.), Georgia Federal/Military Retiree Coalition, Royston; Cdr. Michael W. Lord, USN (Ret.), Commissioned Officers Association of the U.S. Public Health Service, Inc., and Sydney Hickey, National Military Family Association, Alexandria, Virginia, both on behalf of the Military Coalition; Col. Charles C. Partridge, USA (Ret.), National Association for Uniformed Services, Springfield, Virginia, on behalf of the National Military and Veterans Alliance; and W. Hal Franck, Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho.

Subcommittee will meet again on Wednesday, March 18.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness held hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on environmental and military construction programs, receiving testimony from Sherri W. Goodman, Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Environmental Security; Jan B. Reitman, Staff Director, Environment and Safety, Defense Logistics Agency; Raymond J. Fatz, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Environment, Safety and Occupational Health; Robert B. Pirie, Jr., Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Installations and Environment; Thomas W. McCall, Jr., Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Environmental, Safety and Occupational Health; John B. Goodman, Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Industrial Affairs and Installations; Paul Johnson, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Installations and Housing; and Jimmy Dishner, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Installations.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces held hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on United States national security space programs and policies, receiving testimony from Gen. Howell M. Estes, USAF,

Commander-in-Chief, United States Space Command; and Keith R. Hall, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Space/Director, National Reconnaissance Office.

Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow.

ELECTRONIC AUTHENTICATION

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Financial Services and Technology concluded hearings on S. 1594, to facilitate the use of electronic authentication techniques by financial institutions, after receiving testimony from P. Michael Nugent, Citibank, New York, New York; and Ken Lieberman, VISA U.S.A., Inc., Harris Miller, ITAA, and Alfred M. Pollard, Bankers Roundtable, all of Washington, D.C.

GLOBAL TOBACCO SETTLEMENT

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee resumed hearings on proposed legislation to reform and restructure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, receiving testimony from Senators Hatch, Chafee, Baucus, Lugar, and Conrad.

Hearings continue on Tuesday, March 17.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 633, to adjust the boundary of the Petroglyph National Monument in New Mexico to exclude the Paseo del Norte road corridor, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1132, to modify the boundaries of the Bandelier National Monument to include the lands within the headwaters of the Upper Alamo Watershed which drain into the monument and which are not currently within the jurisdiction of a Federal land management agency, and to authorize purchase or donation of those lands, with amendments; and

S. 1069, to designate the American Discovery Trail as the first National Discovery Trail and to establish a new category within the National Trails System, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

Committee also completed its review of those programs which fall within the committee's jurisdiction as contained in the President's proposed budget for fiscal year 1999, and agreed on recommendations it will make thereon to the Committee on the Budget.

Also, committee began markup of S. 1403, to establish a national historic lighthouse preservation program, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported S. Res. 187, expressing the sense of the

Senate regarding the human rights situation in the People's Republic of China.

MIDDLE EAST

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs held hearings to examine recent developments in the Middle East, focusing on the Israel-PLO negotiating process and the role of the United States in that process, receiving testimony from Senators Kyl and Lieberman; Martin S. Indyk, Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs; Daniel Pipes, *Middle East Quarterly*, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Henry Siegman, Council on Foreign Relations, New York, New York; and Robert Satloff, Washington Institute for Near East Policy, and Steven Emerson, both of Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded an additional hearing on the nomination of Frederica A. Massiah-Jackson, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania (pending on Senate Executive Calendar), after the nominee testified and answered further questions in her own behalf.

BANKRUPTCY REFORM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts concluded hearings on S. 1301, to provide for consumer bankruptcy protection, focusing on certain abuses occurring under the current Bankruptcy Code, after receiving testimony from Richard M. Stana, Legislative Advisor, General Accounting Office; Lawrence A. Friedman, Friedman and Kohut, Southfield, Michigan, on behalf of the National Association of Bankruptcy Trustees; A. Thomas Small, Chief Bankruptcy Judge, Eastern District of North Carolina; Tahira K. Hira, Iowa State University, Ames; George J. Wallace, Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott, on behalf of the American Financial Services Association, Michael E. Staten, Credit Research Center/Georgetown University School of Business, and Stephen Brobeck, Consumer Federation of America, all of Washington, D.C.; William E. Brewer, Jr., Raleigh, North Carolina, on behalf of the National Association of Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys; Stanton Bluestone, Carson Pirie Scott & Company, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on behalf of the National Retail Federation; Brian McDonnell, National Association of Federal Credit Unions, Arlington, Virginia; Robert Elliot, Household International, Inc., Prospect Heights, Illinois; Douglas Boshkoff, Indiana University School of Law, Bloomington; Randal C. Picker, University of Chicago Law School, Chicago, Illinois, on behalf of the National Bankruptcy Conference; Deborah D. Williamson, Cox & Smith, San Antonio, Texas, on behalf of the American Bankruptcy Institute; and Matthew J. Mason, Detroit, Michigan, on behalf of the International Union, United

Automobile, Aerospace, and Agricultural Implement Workers of America and the UAW-GM Legal Services Plan.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Richard M. McGahey, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor.

Also, committee began markup of S. 1648, to amend the Public Health Service Act and the Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act to provide for reductions in youth smoking, for advancements in tobacco-related research, and the development of safer tobacco products, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again on Wednesday, March 18.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee completed its review of those programs which fall within the committee's jurisdiction as contained in the President's proposed budget for fiscal year 1999, and agreed on recommendations it will make thereon to the Committee on the Budget.

TRIBAL SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee held hearings to examine the status of tribal sovereign immunity and the role it plays to preserve the Federal Government's protection of tribal self-government, and its impact on Indian economic development, commercial dealings and taxation, and related proposals, including S. 1691, to provide for Indian legal reform, receiving testimony from Representatives Istook and LaHood; Derril B. Jordan, Associate Solicitor, Division of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; Thomas L. LeClaire, Director, Office of Tribal Justice, Department of Justice; Judge R.A. Randall, Minnesota State Court of Appeals, St. Paul; New York State Assembly Jeffrey Klein, Albany; Michael Harris, Michael D. Harris Law Office, Tahlequah, Oklahoma; Phillip Martin, Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, Philadelphia; W. Ron Allen, Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe, Sequim, Washington, on behalf of the National Congress of American Indians; Mark A. Jarboe, Dorsey & Whitney, Minneapolis, Minnesota; John Lattaudio, J & J Mini-Markets, Alamogordo, New Mexico; Greg Love, Love's Country Stores, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on behalf of the Society of Independent Gasoline Marketers of America; Gregory E. Pyle, Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, Durant; David Kwail, Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, Phoenix; Reid Peyton Chambers, Sonosky, Chambers, Sachse & Endreson, Washington, D.C.; and Scott Morrison, Wilburton, Oklahoma.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 11 public bills, H.R. 3433–3443; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 240–241, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 384, providing for consideration of H.R. 2883, to amend provisions of law enacted by the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993 to improve Federal agency strategic plans and performance reports (H. Rept. 105–433);

H. Res. 385, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 1757, to consolidate international affairs agencies, to authorize appropriations for the Department of State and related agencies for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, and to ensure that the enlargement of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) proceeds in a manner consistent with United States interests, to strengthen relations between the United States and Russia, and to preserve the prerogatives of the Congress with respect to certain arms control agreements (H. Rept. 105–434);

H.R. 118, to provide for the collection of data on traffic stops amended (H. Rept. 105–435); and

H.R. 2696, to amend title 17, United States Code, to provide for protection of certain original designs, amended (H. Rept. 105–436).

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Africa Growth and Opportunity Act: The House passed H.R. 1432, to authorize a new trade and investment policy for sub-Saharan Africa, by a recorded vote of 233 ayes to 186 noes, Roll No. 47.

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Rejected the Bishop motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Ways and Means with instructions to report it back to the House forthwith with an amendment in the nature of a substitute, that includes substitute language dealing with textile and apparel articles, by a recorded vote of 193 ayes to 224 noes, Roll No. 46,

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Agreed To:

The Smith of Washington amendment that specifies that the President take into account whether or not a sub-Saharan African country is cooperating with the United States in efforts to eliminate slavery in Africa when determining eligibility to participate or receive benefits under the Act;

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The Waters amendment that specifies that the United States-Sub-Saharan Africa Trade and Economic Cooperation Forum established after enactment encourage joint ventures between small and large businesses; and

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The Davis of Illinois amendment that expresses the sense of the Congress that the United States Government

should donate obsolete air traffic control equipment to eligible sub-Saharan African countries.

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Rejected:

The Waters amendment that sought to clarify that a country need not meet all requirements to be eligible to participate or receive benefits under the Act (rejected by a recorded vote of 81 ayes to 334 noes, Roll No. 44);

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The Waters amendment that sought to specify minimum funding for the Development Fund for Africa for fiscal years 1999 through 2007 at a level not less than the amount made available for fiscal year 1998; and

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The Bereuter amendment, as modified, that sought to allow the President the flexibility to designate Morocco as eligible to participate in programs or receive assistance under the Act (rejected by a recorded vote of 156 ayes to 258 noes, Roll No. 45).

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H. Res. 383, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to earlier by a yea and nay vote of 227 yeas to 190 nays, Roll No. 43. Pursuant to the rule, it was made in order to consider as an original bill the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means as modified by the amendments printed in part 1 of H. Rept. 105–431, the report of the Committee on Rules.

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Tucker Act Shuffle Relief Act: The House completed general debate and began consideration of amendments to H.R. 992, to end the Tucker Act shuffle. Consideration of amendments will continue on Thursday, March 12.

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Agreed to the Smith of Texas amendment that specifies that the jurisdiction does not extend to matters over which other Federal law has granted exclusive jurisdiction to one or more U.S. courts of appeals or district courts.

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Amendment Pending:

The Watt of North Carolina amendment in the nature of a substitute was offered. It was made in order that this amendment shall be further debatable for 20 minutes, equally divided and controlled by Representative Watt and an opponent, on Thursday, March 12.

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H. Res. 382, the rule that is providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to earlier by a voice vote.

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Presidential Message Re Viet Nam: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted his determination of a waiver of the application of subsections 402(a) and (b) of the Trade Act of 1974 with respect to Viet Nam—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–227).

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Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 3357.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One ye and nay vote and four recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 3279, 3319, 3320, 3327, and 3328. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Committee Meetings

USDA'S FARM LOAN PROGRAMS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Forestry, Resource Conservation, and Research held a hearing to review the status of the USDA's farm loan programs. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the USDA: Gus Schumacher, Jr., Under Secretary, Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services; and Carolyn Cooksie, Deputy Administrator, Farm Loan Programs, Farm Service Agency.

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Marketing and Regulatory Programs. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the USDA: Michael V. Dunn, Assistant Secretary, Marketing and Regulatory Programs; Terry L. Medley, Administrator, Animal Plant Health and Inspection Service; Enrique Figueroa, Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service; and James R. Baker, Administrator, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary held a hearing on Supreme Court, Architect of the Capitol, the National Institute of Standards and Technology, the Patent and Trademark Office and the Technology Administration. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Commerce: Gary R. Bachula, Acting Under Secretary, Technology; Raymond Kammer, Director, National Institute of Standards and Technology; and Bruce A. Lehman, Assistant Secretary and Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development held a hearing on Energy Resources. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: Martha A. Krebs, Director, Office of Energy Research; Dan W. Reicher, Assistant Secretary, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy; and Terry R. Lash, Director, Office of Nuclear Energy.

FOREIGN OPERATIONS, EXPORT FINANCING AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs held a hearing on the Export-Import Bank, the Overseas Private Investment Corporation and the Trade and Development Agency. Testimony was heard from James A. Harmon, President and Chairman, Export-Import Bank; George Munoz, President and CEO, Overseas Private Investment Corporation, U.S. International Development Cooperation Agency; and J. Joseph Grandmaison, Director, Trade and Development Agency.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior held a hearing on Fish and Wildlife Service. Testimony was heard from Donald J. Barry, Acting Assistant Secretary, Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior.

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, the National Institute on Deafness and on Other Communication Disorders, and the National Institute of Diabetes, Digestive and Kidney Diseases. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Kenneth Olden, M.D., Director, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences; James F. Battey, M.D., Director, National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders; and Phillip Gorden, M.D., Director, National Institute for Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases.

NATIONAL SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on National Security met in executive session to hold a hearing on Intelligence Programs. Testimony was heard from George J. Tenet, Director, CIA.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on FY 98 Supplemental. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: William S. Cohen, Secretary; Gen. Joseph W. Ralston, USAF, Vice Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff; and William Lynn, Comptroller.

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation held a hearing on Federal Railroad Administration and the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (AMTRAK). Testimony was heard from Jolene Molitoris, Administrator, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation; and George Warrington, Acting President, National Railroad Passenger Corporation (AMTRAK).

**VA-HUD-INDEPENDENT AGENCIES
APPROPRIATIONS**

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies continued hearings on EPA. Testimony was heard from Carol M. Browner, Administrator, EPA.

**CREDIT UNION COMMON BOND
REQUIREMENT**

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Held a hearing to review the Supreme Court's decision regarding the credit union common bond requirement and the appropriate Congressional response to the ruling. Testimony was heard from Representatives Paul, LaTourette, Kanjorski, Cannon, Smith of Michigan, Baker, Kennedy of Massachusetts and Ehrlich; Richard Carnell, Assistant Secretary, Financial Institutions, Department of the Treasury; Norman D'Amours, Chairman, National Credit Union Administration; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Ordered reported the following measures: H.R. 3246, Fairness for Small Business and Employees Act of 1998; H.R. 2864, amended, Occupational Safety and Health Administration Compliance Assistance Authorization Act of 1997; H.R. 2877, amended, to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970; H.R. 3096, to correct a provision relating to termination of benefits for convicted persons; and H. Res. 267, amended, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the citizens of the United States must remain committed to combat the distribution, sale, and use of illegal drugs by the Nation's youth.

**CONGRESSIONAL OFFICE OF REGULATORY
ANALYSIS CREATION ACT**

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing on H.R. 1704, Congressional Office of Regulatory Analysis Creation Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Kelly; and public witnesses.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; BUDGET VIEWS
AND ESTIMATES**

Committee on International Relations: Ordered reported amended H.R. 2870, Tropical Forest Conservation Act of 1998.

The Committee ordered reported unfavorably H. Con. Res. 277, directing the President pursuant to section 5 (c) of the War Powers Resolution to remove United States Armed Forces from the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The Committee favorably considered and adopted a motion urging the Chairman to request that the following measures be considered on the Suspension Calendar: H. Res. 364, amended, urging the introduction

and passage of a resolution on the human rights situation in the People's Republic of China at the 54th Session of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights; and H. Res. 361, amended, calling for free and impartial elections in Cambodia.

The Committee also approved Fiscal Year 1999 Budget views and Estimates for submission to the Committee on the Budget.

**DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE APPROPRIATIONS
AUTHORIZATION ACT**

Committee on the Judiciary: Held a hearing on H.R. 3303, Department of Justice Appropriations Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 1999, 2000, and 2001. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Eric H. Holder, Jr., Deputy Attorney General; and Stephen Colgate, Assistant Attorney General, Administration.

DEFENSE REFORM INITIATIVE

Committee on National Security: Held a hearing on the implementation of the November 1997 Defense Reform Initiative. Testimony was heard from John J. Hamre, Deputy Secretary, Department of Defense.

MISSION CAPABILITY RATES

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Readiness held a hearing on mission capability rates. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Lt. Gen. Thomas Burnette, USA, Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations and Plans; and Lt. Gen. John Coburn, USA, Deputy Chief of Staff, Logistics, both with the Department of the Army; Vice Adm. James O. Ellis, Jr., USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations, Plans, Policy and Operations; Vice Adm. William J. Hancock, USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations; Lt. Gen. Martin R. Steele, USMC, Deputy Chief of Staff, Plans, Policies and Operations; Maj. Gen. Joseph D. Stewart, USMC, Deputy Chief of Staff, Installations and Logistics; Lt. Gen. Terrence R. Dake, USMC, Deputy Chief of Staff, Aviation; and Brig. Gen. Bruce B. Byrum, USMC, Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff, Aviation, all from the Department of the Navy; Lt. Gen. Patrick K. Gamble, USAF, Deputy Chief of Staff, Air and Space Operations; and Lt. Gen. William P. Hallin, USAF, Deputy Chief of Staff, Installations and Logistics, both with the Department of the Air Force.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 2186, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance to the National Historic Trails Interpretive Center in Casper, WY; H.R. 2376, amended, National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act Amendments of 1997; H.R. 2416, amended, to provide for the transfer of certain rights and property to the U.S. Forest Service in exchange for a payment to the oc-

cupant of such property; H.R. 2574, to consolidate certain mineral interests in the National Grasslands in Billings County, ND, through the exchange of Federal and private mineral interests to enhance land management capabilities and environmental and wildlife protection; H.R. 2807, amended, Rhino and Tiger Product Labeling Act; H.R. 3087, amended, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to grant an easement to Chugach Alaska Corporation; H.R. 3113, Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Reauthorization Act of 1998; and H.R. 3164, amended, Hydrographic Service Improvement Act of 1998.

GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE AND RESULTS ACT TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS; BUDGET VIEWS AND ESTIMATES

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 2883, Government Performance and Results Act Technical Amendments of 1997. The rule waives points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with clause 2(1)(6) of rule XI (requiring a three-day layover of the committee report). The rule makes in order as an original bill for the purpose of amendment the Government Reform and Oversight Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, which will be considered as read. The rule provides that Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record prior to their consideration will be given priority in recognition to offer their amendments if otherwise consistent with House rules. The rule allows the chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce the voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Horn, Sessions, Kucinich and Maloney of New York.

The Committee also approved Fiscal Year 1999 Budget views and estimates for submission to the Committee on the Budget.

CONFERENCE REPORT—FOREIGN AFFAIRS REFORM AND RESTRUCTURING ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report on H.R. 1757, Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read.

LINE ITEM VETO

Committee on Rules: Subcommittee on Legislative and Budget Process held a hearing on the Line Item Veto After One Year, the Process and Its Implementation. Testimony was heard from June O'Neill, Director, CBO; former Representative William F. Clinger, Jr., State of Pennsylvania; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

OVERSIGHT—SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

Committee on Science: Held an oversight hearing on Defining Successful Partnerships and Collaborations in Scientific Research. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—BUDGET AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held an oversight hearing on Fiscal Year 1999 Budget Authorization Request: Environmental Protection Agency Research and Development. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the EPA: Henry Longest, II, Acting Assistant Administrator, Research and Development; Costel Denson, Chairman, Executive Committee, Board of Scientific Counselors; Philip Hopke, member, Clean Air Science Advisory Committee, Science Advisory Board; Charles E. Kolb, member, Committee on Research Opportunities and Priorities for the EPA, National Research Council; and Ishwar Murarka, Vice Chairman, Research Strategies Advisory Committee, Science Advisory Board.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; BUDGET VIEWS AND ESTIMATES; COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Ordered reported amended the following measures: H.R. 2843, Aviation Medical Assistance Act of 1997; and H. Con. Res. 238, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for a breast cancer survivors event sponsored by the National Race for the Cure.

The Committee approved 1 Public Building Resolution and 7 Corps of Engineers Survey Resolutions.

The Committee also approved Fiscal Year 1999 Budget views and estimates for submission to the Committee on the Budget.

The Committee also approved pending Committee business.

SUPERFUND ACCELERATION, FAIRNESS, AND EFFICIENCY ACT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 2727, Superfund Acceleration, Fairness, and Efficiency Act.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 3039, amended, Veterans' Transitional Housing Opportunities Act of 1997; H.R. 3211, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to enact into law eligibility requirements for burial at Arlington National Cemetery; and H.R. 3213, to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify enforcement of veterans' employment rights with respect to a State as an employer or a private employer, to extend veterans' employment and reemployment rights to members of the uniformed services employed abroad by United States companies.

BUDGET VIEWS AND ESTIMATES

Committee on Ways and Means: Approved Fiscal Year 1999 Budget views and estimates for submission to the Committee on the Budget.

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Measures Introduced: Seven bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1748–1754. **Page 3494**

Measures Passed:

China/Human Rights: By 95 yeas to 5 nays (Vote No. 31), S. Res. 187, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the human rights situation in the People's Republic of China. **Page 3469**

ISTEA Authorization: Senate continued consideration of S. 1173, to authorize funds for construction of highways, for highway safety programs, and for mass transit programs, taking action on further amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Page 3429**

Adopted:

By 96 yeas to 4 nays (Vote No. 30), modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 1676). **Page 3429**

By 78 yeas to 22 nays (Vote No. 29), McCain Amendment No. 1726 (to Amendment No. 1676), to provide that demonstration projects shall be subject to any limitation on obligations established by law that applies in Federal-aid highways and highway safety construction programs. **Page 3429**

Chafee (for D'Amato/Sarbanes) Amendment No. 1998 (to Amendment No. 1931, agreed to on March 10, 1998), to make grants to the University of Alabama to establish a university transportation Center. **Page 3430**

Chafee (for Torricelli) Amendment No. 1999 (to Amendment No. 1676), to require the Comptroller General to conduct a study to assess the impact that a utility company's failure to relocate its facilities in a timely manner has on the delivery and cost of Federal-aid highway and bridge projects. **Page 3430**

Baucus (for Torricelli) Amendment No. 2000 (to Amendment No. 1676), to provide for high risk hazardous material and hazardous waste transportation safety. **Page 3430**

Chafee Amendment No. 2001 (to Amendment No. 1676), to make certain technical corrections. **Page 3431**

Chafee (for DeWine) Amendment No. 2002 (to Amendment No. 1676), to provide for a school transportation safety study. **Page 3431**

Chafee (for Domenici) Amendment No. 1986 (to Amendment No. 1676), to designate a commercial zone within which the transportation of certain property in commerce is exempt from certain provisions of Chapter 135 of title 49, United States Code. **Page 3432**

Chafee Amendment No. 2003 (to Amendment No. 1676), to provide for the continuation of the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise program in the mass transportation programs of the Federal government. **Page 3433**

Chafee/McConnell Amendment No. 2004 (to Amendment No. 1676), to allow entities and persons to comply with court orders relating to disadvantaged business enterprises and to require the Comptroller General to carry out review of the disadvantaged business enterprises program and discrimination in general. **Page 3433**

Levin Modified Amendment No. 1375 (to Amendment No. 1676), to provide for greater local input in transportation planning and programming. **Page 3436**

Gramm Modified Amendment No. 2005 (to Amendment No. 1375), to modify the factors that the Secretary is required to consider in selecting States, metropolitan planning organizations, and projects to receive grants under the program to provide Federal assistance for trade corridors and border infrastructure safety and congestion relief. **Page 3437**

Warner (for Chafee) Amendment No. 2006 (Amendment No. 1676), to change the date of a letter referred to in a provision relating to obligation limitations. **Page 3437**

Warner (for Lautenberg) No. 2007 (to Amendment No. 1676), to provide assistance to seaports and airports affected by the increase in trade with Canada and Mexico resulting from the enactment of the North American Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act. **Page 3437**

Warner (for Lott) Amendment No. 2008 (to Amendment No. 1676), to provide a program for remote sensing and spatial information technologies. **Page 3438**

Warner (for Domenici) Amendment No. 2009 (to Amendment No. 1676), relating to the deployment of technologies to detect and deter illegal narcotic smuggling. **Page 3439**

Warner (for Feinstein) Amendment No. 2010 (to Amendment No. 1676), to require the Secretary to conduct a comprehensive assessment of the state of the transportation infrastructure on the southwest border between the United States and Mexico. **Page 3439**

Warner (for Breaux/Landrieu) Amendment No. 2011 (to Amendment No. 1676), to identify certain routes in Louisiana as part of the North-South Corridor, a high priority corridor on the National Highway System. **Page 3439**

Warner (for Torricelli) Amendment No. 2012 (to Amendment No. 1676), to expand the scope of the hazard elimination program. **Page 3441**

Warner (for Abraham/Levin) Amendment No. 2013 (to Amendment No. 1676), to modify a high priority corridor on the National Highway System. **Page 3441**

Warner (for Sessions) Amendment No. 2014 (to Amendment No. 1676), to designate certain segments of corridors of the Appalachian development highway system in Mississippi and Alabama as routes on the Interstate System. **Page 3441**

Moseley-Braun Modified Amendment No. 2015 (to Amendment No. 1676), to increase funding for the Railway-Highway Crossing Hazard Elimination Program. **Page 3443**

Subsequently, the bill was returned to the Senate calendar.

Indictment Against Saddam Hussein: Senate began consideration of S. Con. Res. 78, relating to the indictment and prosecution of Saddam Hussein for war crimes and other crimes against humanity, taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 3477**

Adopted:

Murkowski (for Specter) Amendment No. 1933, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 3481**

Senate will continue consideration of the resolution on Friday, March 13, 1998, with a vote to occur thereon.

Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the nomination of Frederica A. Massiah-Jackson, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, on Monday, March 16, 1998. **Page 3517**

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—31) **Pages 3429, 3468, 3477**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 5:36 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, March 13, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record, on page 3517.)

Committee Meetings

AUTHORIZATION—CHILD NUTRITION

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee held hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for child nutrition programs, focusing on streamlining

program operations, increasing access to qualified participants, and ensuring food safety, receiving testimony from Representative Kennedy; Shirley R. Watkins, Under Secretary of Agriculture for Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services; Melinda Turner, American School Food Service Association, Booneville, Kentucky; Linda Locke, Community Coordinated Child Care, Louisville, Kentucky, on behalf of the National Child Care Food Program; Karen R. Ford, Food Bank of Iowa, Des Moines; and Robert Greenstein, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, Washington, D.C.

Hearings continue on Tuesday, March 17.

APPROPRIATIONS—SUPREME COURT/JUDICIARY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Supreme Court of the United States and the Judiciary, receiving testimony from Judge Anthony M. Kennedy and Judge David H. Souter, each an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States; and Judge John G. Heyburn II, United States District Judge for the Western District of Kentucky.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, March 19.

APPROPRIATIONS—LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the Legislative Branch held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999, receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respective activities from Senator Warner, on behalf of the Joint Committee on Printing; Senator Roth, on behalf of the Joint Committee on Taxation; Representative Saxton, on behalf of the Joint Economic Committee; Gregory Casey, Senate Sergeant at Arms; James Billington, Librarian of Congress; and Daniel Mulhollan, Director, Congressional Research Service.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, March 19.

APPROPRIATIONS—TREASURY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of the Treasury, receiving testimony from Robert E. Rubin, Secretary of the Treasury.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, March 26.

APPROPRIATIONS—HUD

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999, receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respective activities from Andrew Cuomo, Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; and John D. Hawke, Jr., Under Secretary of the Treasury for Domestic Finance, on behalf of the Community Development Financial Institutions.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, March 19.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Acquisition and Technology held hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on science and technology programs, receiving testimony from Jacques S. Gansler, Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology; John W. Douglass, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition; Lt. Gen. George K. Muellner, USAF, Principal Deputy, Office of Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition; Kenneth J. Oscar, Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army for Research, Development and Acquisition; and Larry Lynn, Director, Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency.

Subcommittee will meet again on Wednesday, March 18.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces resumed hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on environmental management, non-proliferation, and fissile materials disposition, receiving testimony from Elizabeth A. Moler, Deputy Secretary of Energy, Rose Gottmoeller, Director, Office of Non-Proliferation, James Owendoff, Acting Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management, and Howard Cantor, Acting Director, Office of Fissile Materials Disposition, all of the Department of Energy.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, March 19.

FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANK REFORM

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1423, to modernize and improve the operations of the Federal Home Loan Bank by allowing financial institutions with assets less than \$500 million to access the Federal Home Loan Bank System for new kinds of lending, providing voluntary membership, reforming the capital structure of the System, and changing the REFCorp formula to a fixed percentage, after receiving testimony from Mark Drabenstott, Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, Missouri; Dean R. Edwards, Affordable Housing Group, Charlotte, North Carolina; James Verbrugge, University of Georgia, Atlanta; Phil Burns, Farmers and Merchants National Bank, West Point, Nebraska, on behalf of the American Bankers Association; Robert I. Gullledge, Citizen's Bank, Robertsedale, Alabama, on behalf of the Independent Bankers Association of America; and Curtis L. Hage, Home Federal Savings Bank, Sioux City, South Dakota, on behalf of the America's Community Bankers.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nominations of John Charles Horsley, of Washington, to be Associate Deputy Secretary of Transportation, James E. Hall, of Tennessee, to be Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board, Robert J. Shapiro, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Economic Affairs, Winter D. Horton, Jr., of Utah, and Christy Carpenter, of California, each to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, Orson Swindle, of Hawaii, and Mozelle Willmont Thompson, of New York, each to be a Federal Trade Commissioner, and lists for promotion in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the United States Coast Guard;

S. 1699, to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel BILLIE-B-II;

S. 1731, to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel FALLS POINT;

S. 1732, to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel VESTERHAVEN, with an amendment;

S. 1609, to authorize funds for the Next Generation Internet program, and to require the Advisory Committee on High-Performance Computing and Communications, Information Technology, and the Next Generation Internet to monitor and give advice concerning the development and implementation of the Next Generation Internet program and report to the President and the Congress in its activities. (As approved by the committee, the bill authorizes \$102,500,000 for fiscal year 1999 and \$115,000,000 for fiscal year 2000.);

H.R. 1702, to encourage the development of a commercial space industry in the United States, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1250, to authorize funds for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H. Con. Res. 131, expressing the sense of Congress regarding the ocean, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1422, to promote competition in the market for delivery of multichannel video programming;

S. 1618, to improve the protection of consumers against "slamming" by telecommunications carriers, with amendments;

S. 1619, to direct the Federal Communications Commission to study systems for filtering or blocking matter on the Internet, and to require the installation of such a

system on computers in schools and libraries with Internet access; and

S. 1482, to establish a prohibition on commercial distribution on the World Wide Web of material that is harmful to minors.

AUTHORIZATION—COAST GUARD

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Oceans and Fisheries concluded hearings on the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 1999 for the United States Coast Guard, after receiving testimony from Adm. Robert E. Kramek, Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation.

CHINESE NUCLEAR COOPERATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee held closed hearings to examine certain intelligence issues relating to Chinese nuclear cooperation with various countries, receiving testimony from Robert J. Einhorn, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs; and John Lauder, Special Assistant to the Director of Central Intelligence for Nonproliferation, Central Intelligence Agency.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

AFRICAN DEMOCRACY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on African Affairs concluded hearings to examine the prospects for democracy under the current generation of new African leaders, and how the United States should interact with and support them, after receiving testimony from Susan E. Rice, Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs; and George B.N. Ayittey, American University, Pauline Baker, Fund for Peace, Salih Booker, Council on Foreign Relations, and David F. Gordon, Overseas Development Council, all of Washington, D.C.

IRS REFORM

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee held hearings on proposed legislation to reform and restructure the Internal Revenue Service, focusing on management flexibility and accountability provisions, receiving testimony from Charles O. Rossotti, Commissioner, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury; G. Edward DeSeve, Acting Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget; Carol J. Okin, Associate Director for Merit Systems Oversight and Effectiveness, Office of Personnel Management; and Michael Brostek, Associate Director, Federal Management and Workforce Issues, General Government Division, General Accounting Office.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

PROTECT ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee held hearings on provisions of S. 1530, to resolve ongoing tobacco litigation, to reform the civil justice system responsible for adjudicating tort claims against companies that manufacture

tobacco products, and establish a national tobacco policy for the United States that will decrease youth tobacco use and reduce the marketing of tobacco products to young Americans (pending on Senate calendar), receiving testimony from David Satcher, Surgeon General and Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services for Health; William L. Roper, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, on behalf of Partnership for Prevention; Gregory N. Connolly, Massachusetts Tobacco Control Program/Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Boston; and Michael C. Fiore, Center for Tobacco Research and Intervention/University of Wisconsin Medical School, Madison.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

HEALTH CARE TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Subcommittee on Public Health and Safety resumed hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for the Agency for Health Care Policy and Research, focusing on new technologies in patient care and the Agency's contribution to technology assessment and health care quality improvement, receiving testimony from John M. Eisenberg, Administrator, Agency for Health Care Policy and Research, and Nancy-Ann Min DeParle, Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; Pete DeBusk, DeRoyal Industries, Inc., Powell, Tennessee, on behalf of the Health Industry Distributors Association; Paul W. Mikus, ENDOfcare, Inc., Irvine, California, on behalf of the Health Industry Manufacturers Association; Wade Aubry, University of California, San Francisco, on behalf of the Blue Cross Blue Shield Association; and Neil R. Powe, Johns Hopkins University of Medicine, Baltimore, Maryland.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 21 public bills, H.R. 3444–3464; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 242–243, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2294, to make improvements in the operation and administration of the Federal courts, amended (H. Rept. 105–437);

H. Con. Res. 238, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for a breast cancer survivors event sponsored by the National Race for the Cure, amended (H. Rept. 105–438);

H.R. 3117, to reauthorize the United States Commission on Civil Rights, amended (H. Rept. 105–439); and

H.R. 2515, to address the declining health of forests on Federal lands in the United States through a program of recovery and protection consistent with the requirements of existing public land management and environmental laws, to establish a program to inventory, monitor, and analyze public and private forests and their resources, amended (H. Rept. 105-440 Part 1). **Page 3416**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Brady to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 3372**

Journal: By a recorded vote of 368 ayes to 43 noes with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 49, the House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Wednesday, March 11. **Pages 3372, 3378**

Government Performance and Results Act: The House passed H.R. 2883, to amend provisions of law enacted by the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993 to improve Federal agency strategic plans and performance reports by a ye and nay vote of 242 yeas to 168 nays, Roll No. 50. **Page 3379**

Agreed To:

The Maloney of New York amendment that establishes limited applicability to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal Reserve banks but only with respect to operations that are not directly related to the establishment and conduct of the monetary policy of the United States; and **Page 3389**

The Horn amendment that corrects the submission date of agency inspector general review of performance plans and reports. **Page 3391**

Rejected the Kucinich amendment that sought to strike language requiring the resubmission of agency strategic plans. **Page 3390**

A point of order was sustained against the Kucinich amendment that sought to apply the Act's requirements to any committee of the House of Representatives or the Senate. **Page 3389**

H. Res. 384, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to earlier by a ye and nay vote of 412 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 48. **Page 3373**

Tucker Act Shuffle Relief Act: The House passed H.R. 992, to end the Tucker Act shuffle by a recorded vote of 230 ayes to 180 noes, Roll No. 52; and agreed to amend the title. The House completed general debate and began consideration of amendments to the bill on March 11. **Page 3393**

Rejected the Watt of North Carolina amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to grant to United States district courts the original jurisdiction to hear and determine all claims, notwithstanding the dollar amount, arising out of an agency action alleged to constitute a taking without just compensation by a recorded vote of 206 ayes to 206 noes, Roll No. 51. **Page 3393**

H. Res. 382, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill, was agreed to on March 11. **Page 3329**

Legislative Program: The Majority Leader announced the legislative program for the week of March 16. **Page 3398**

Consideration of Concurrent Resolution to Remove U.S. Armed Forces from the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina: Agreed by unanimous consent that it not be in order prior to Wednesday, March 18, 1998 to consider H. Con. Res. 227, directing the President pursuant to section 5(c) of the War Powers Resolution to remove United States Armed Forces from the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina; that it be in order on Wednesday, March 18 to consider the concurrent resolution, as modified by the amendment numbered 1 printed in the Congressional Record of today; and that the previous question shall be considered as ordered on the concurrent resolution to final adoption without intervening motion except two hours of debate, with one hour controlled by Representative Campbell, thirty minutes controlled by Representative Gilman or his designee, and thirty minutes controlled by Representative Hamilton or his designee. **Page 3398**

Late Report—International Relations: Committee on International Relations received permission to have until midnight on Friday, March 13 to file a report on H.R. 2870, to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to facilitate protection of tropical forests through debt reduction with developing countries with tropical forests. **Page 3398**

Late Report—Judiciary: The Committee on the Judiciary received permission to have until midnight on Friday, March 13 to file a report on H.R. 1704, to establish a Congressional Office of Regulatory Analysis. **Page 3399**

Consideration of Suspensions: Agreed that it be order at any time on Wednesday, March 18, 1998, for the speaker to entertain motions to suspend the rules and pass the following bills: H.R. 2696, to provide for protection of certain original designs; S. 758, making technical corrections to the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995; H.R. 2294, Federal Court Improvement Act of 1997; and H.R. 3117, Civil Rights Commission Act of 1998. **Page 3399**

Meeting Hour—Monday, March 16: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, March 16. **Page 3399**

Meeting Hour—Tuesday, March 17: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, March 16, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 17, for Morning-Hour debate. **Page 3399**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday, March 18. **Page 3399**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 3372.

Referral: S. 1605, Bulletproof Vest Partnership Act of 1998, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea and nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 3377, 3378, 3392, 3395, and 3397. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 4:58 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on the Commodity Futures Trading Commission and the Farm Credit Administration. Testimony was heard from Brooksley Born, Chairperson, Commodity Futures Trading Commission; and Marsha Pyle Martin, Chairman and CEO, Farm Credit Administration.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary held a hearing on Bureau of Prisons. Testimony was heard from Kathleen Hawk, Director, Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice; and John Clark, Corrections Trustee, District of Columbia.

The Subcommittee also continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development held a hearing on Nuclear Waste Management and Disposal. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: Howard R. Canter, Acting Director, Office of Fissile Materials Disposition; Lake H. Barrett, Acting Director, Office of Radioactive Waste Management; and James M. Owendoff, Acting Assistant Secretary, Environmental Management Program.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior held a hearing on the Secretary of Energy, the National Endowment of the Arts and the National Endowment of the Humanities. Testimony was heard from Federico Peña, Secretary of Energy; and the following officials of the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities: Kathryn O'Leary Higgins, Acting Chairman; and Scott Shanklin-Peterson, Senior Deputy Chairman, both with

the National Endowment for the Arts; and William Ferris, Chairman, National Endowment for the Humanities.

LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on the National Human Genome Research Institute, and the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Francis S. Collins, M.D., Director, National Human Genome Research Institute; and Claude Lenfant, M.D., Director, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction held a hearing on Housing Privatization Efforts. Testimony was heard from John B. Goodman, Deputy Under Secretary, Industrial Affairs and Installations, Department of Defense.

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation held a hearing on the Federal Transit Administration and the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA). Testimony was heard from Gordon J. Linton, Administrator, Federal Transit Administration, Department of Transportation; and Richard A. White, General Manager, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority.

TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE, GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government held a hearing on the Executive Residence, the Executive Office of the President, and on the OMB. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the National Capital Region, National Park Service, Department of the Interior: Terry R. Carlstrom, Regional Director; James I. McDaniel, Director, White House Liaison; and Marilyn J. Meyers, Budget Analyst; Ada L. Posey, Director, Office of Administration on behalf of Executive Office of the President Agencies; and Franklin D. Raines, Director, OMB.

VA-HUD-INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies held a hearing on NASA Space Station Programs. Testimony was heard from Daniel S. Goldin, Administrator, NASA.

BUDGET VIEWS AND ESTIMATES

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Approved Fiscal Year 1999 Budget views and estimates for submission to the Committee on the Budget.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment held a hearing on Community-Based Care for Americans with Disabilities. Testimony was heard from Speaker Gingrich; Representative Gephardt; the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Margaret A. Hamburg, M.D., Assistant Secretary, Planning and Evaluation; and Sally Richardson, Director, Center for Medicaid and State Operations, Health Care Financing Administration; Ann Koci, Commissioner, Adult and Medical Services, Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services, State of Kansas; and public witnesses.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOL CHOICE

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth, and Families held a hearing on Public and Private School Choice in the District of Columbia. Testimony was heard from Arlene Ackerman, Deputy Superintendent, Chief Academic Officer, Public Schools, District of Columbia; Lawrence Callahan, Superintendent of Catholic Schools, Washington, D.C.; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—U.S. REGIONAL COUNTERDRUG EFFORTS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Security, International Affairs, and Criminal Justice held an oversight hearing of U.S. Regional counterdrug efforts. Testimony was heard from Adm. Robert E. Kramek, USCG, Commandant and U.S. Interdiction Coordinator, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation; Gen. Charles E. Wilhelm, USMC, Commander in Chief, U.S. Southern Command, Department of Defense; and Donnie Marshall, Acting Deputy Administrator, DEA, Department of Justice.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; DAYTON AGREEMENTS IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on International Relations: Favorably considered and adopted a motion urging the Chairman to request that the following measures be considered on the Suspension Calendar: H. Con. Res. 235, amended, calling for an end to the violent repression of the legitimate rights of the people of Kosovo; and H. Res. 373, commending democracy in Botswana.

The Committee also held a hearing on prospects for Implementation of Dayton Agreements and the New NATO Mission in Bosnia. Testimony was heard from Ambassador Robert Gelbard, Special Representative of the President and the Secretary of State for Implementation of the Dayton Peace Accords, Department of State; and Walter Slocombe, Under Secretary, Policy, Department of Defense.

HELMS BURTON; TWO YEARS LATER

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade held a hearing on Helms Burton: Two Years Later. Testimony was heard from Michael Rannenberger, Director, Office of Cuban Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

CONSUMER BANKRUPTCY ISSUES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law continued hearings on the consumer bankruptcy issues in H.R. 3150, Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1998; H.R. 2500, Responsible Borrower Protection Bankruptcy Act; and H.R. 3146, Consumer Lenders and Borrowers Bankruptcy Accountability Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Richard M. Stana, Associate Director, Administration of Justice Issues, GAO; Marion A. Olson, Jr., Standing Chapter 13 Trustee, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Western District of Texas; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue March 18.

CITIZEN PROTECTION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution held a hearing on H.R. 3168, Citizen Protection Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Senator Torricelli; Representative Hutchinson; and public witnesses.

BAIL BOND FAIRNESS ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime held a hearing on H.R. 2134, Bail Bond Fairness Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from W. Eugene Davis, Judge, U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals (Fifth Circuit), and Chair, Advisory Committee on Criminal Rules, U.S. Judicial Conference; and public witnesses.

TEMPORARY AGRICULTURAL WORKER ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims approved for full Committee action H.R. 3410, Temporary Agricultural Worker Act of 1998.

The Subcommittee also considered private bills.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on National Security: Continued hearings on the fiscal year 1999 National Defense authorization budget request. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Gen. Dennis J. Reimer, USA, Chief of Staff, Department of the Army; Adm. Jay L. Johnson, USN, Chief of Naval Operations, Department of the Navy; Gen. Michael E. Ryan, USAF, Chief of Staff, Department of the Air Force; and Gen. Charles C. Krulak, USMC, Commandant, U.S. Marine Corps.

MORALE, WELFARE AND RECREATION PROGRAMS

Committee on National Security: Special Oversight Panel on Morale, Welfare and Recreation held a hearing on morale, welfare and recreation programs and issues. Testimony

was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Sgt. Maj. Robert E. Hall, USA, Sergeant Major of the Army; Electronics Technician Master Chief Petty Officer John Hagan, USN, Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy; Chief Master Sgt. Eric W. Benken, USAF, Senior Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force; Sgt. Maj. Lewis G. Lee, USMC, Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps; Carolyn H. Becraft, Deputy Assistant Secretary (Personnel Support, Families, and Education); Brig. Gen. Evan R. Gaddis, USA, Commanding General, Department of the Army; and Rear Adm. James B. Hinkle, USN, Assistant Chief of Naval Personnel, Department of the Navy; Arthur J. Meyers, Director, Air Force Services; and Mike Tharrington, Director, Morale, Welfare, and Recreation, Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps.

MILITARY RECRUITING, RETENTION, AND RELATED ISSUES

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Personnel held a hearing on military recruiting, retention, and related personnel programs and policies. Testimony was heard from Mark E. Gebicke, Director, Military Operations and Capabilities Issues, National Security and International Affairs Division, GAO; Lt. Gen. Frederick E. Vollrath, USA, Deputy Chief of Staff, Personnel, Department of the Army; Vice Adm. Daniel T. Oliver, USN, Chief of Naval Personnel, Department of the Navy; Lt. Gen. Michael D. McGinty, USAF, Deputy Chief of Staff, Personnel, Department of the Air Force; Lt. Gen. Carol A. Mutter, USMC, Deputy Chief of Staff, Manpower and Reserve Affairs, Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps; Maj. Gen. Mark R. Hamilton, USA, Commanding General, U.S. Army Recruiting Command; Rear Adm. Barbara E. McCann, USN, Commander, U.S. Navy Recruiting Command; Col. Peter U. Sutton, USAF, Commander, U.S. Air Force Recruiting Service; and Maj. Gen. Jack W. Klimp, USMC, Commanding General, U.S. Marine Corps Recruiting.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; OVERSIGHT—CONCESSION REFORM

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 1522, amended, to extend the authorization for the National Historic Preservation Fund; and H.R. 2098, National Cave and Karst Research Institute Act of 1997.

The Subcommittee also held an oversight hearing on Concession Reform. Testimony was heard from Senator Thomas; Victor S. Rozendes, Director, Energy, Resources and Science Issues, GAO; Robert Stanton, Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

SONNY BONO MEMORIAL SALTON SEA RECLAMATION ACT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on H.R. 3267, Sonny Bono Memorial Salton Sea Reclamation Act. Testimony was heard from Senator Boxer; Representatives Hunter and Brown of California; David Hayes, Counselor to the Secretary, Department of the Interior; Douglas P. Wheeler, Secretary for Resources, State of California; Christopher Harris, Manager, Water Resources Program, Department of Water Resources, State of Arizona; Wayne Hardie, Group Leader, Energy and Environmental Analysis, Los Alamos National Laboratory; and public witnesses.

LINE ITEM VETO

Committee on Rules: Subcommittee on Legislative and Budget Process concluded hearings on the Line Item Veto After One Year, the Process and Its Implementation. Testimony was heard from Representatives Solomon, Packard, Miller of Florida, Castle, Neumann, Murtha, Stenholm, Spratt, Skaggs, Upton and Roemer.

OVERSIGHT—FAA'S BUDGET REQUEST

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Technology held an oversight hearing to review the FAA's FY '99 Budget Request, including the Flight 2000 Demonstration Program. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the FAA, Department of Transportation: Dennis DeGaetano, Deputy Associate Administrator, Research and Acquisitions; and Ralph Eschenbach, Chairman, Research, Engineering and Development Advisory Committee; and public witnesses.

SMALL BUSINESS INVESTMENT COMPANY PROGRAM CHANGES

Committee on Small Business: Ordered reported amended H.R. 3412, Small Business Investment Company Technical Corrections Act of 1998.

Prior to this action, the Committee held a hearing to discuss improvements in the Small Business Investment Company program. Testimony was heard from Lee Mercer, President, National Association of Small Business Investment Companies.

FAA AND AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on reauthorization of the Federal Aviation Administration and Airport Improvement Program. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Hearings continue March 18.

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Railroad held a hearing on Surface Trans-

portation Board Reauthorization: Resources Requirements. Testimony was heard from Linda J. Morgan, Chairwoman, Surface Transportation Board, Department of Transportation.

SSA COMMISSIONER—CHALLENGES

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security and the Subcommittee on Human Resources held a joint hearing to review the challenges facing the new Commissioner of Social Security. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the SSA: Kenneth S. Apfel, Commissioner of Social Security; and David C. Williams, Inspector General; and the following officials of the GAO: Jane L. Ross, Director, Income Security Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services, Division; and Joel C. Willemssen, Director, Civil Agencies Information Systems, Accounting and Information Management Division.

Friday, March 13, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3532–89

Measures Introduced: Six bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1755–1760. Page 3574

Measures Passed:

Indictment Against Saddam Hussein: By a unanimous vote of 93 yeas (Vote No. 32), Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 78, relating to the indictment and prosecution of Saddam Hussein for war crimes and other crimes against humanity, after agreeing to the following amendment: Page 3532

Specter Amendment No. 1934, to amend the preamble. Page 3532

Education Savings Act for Public and Private Schools—Cloture Motion Filed: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 2646, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, and to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts. Page 3550

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill and, by unanimous-consent agreement, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Tuesday, March 17, 1998, at 12:15 p.m. Page 3550

Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination of Frederica A. Massiah-Jackson, to be

United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, on Tuesday, March 17, 1998, with a vote on, or in relation to, the nomination to occur at 2:15 p.m. Page 3587

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Winter D. Horton, Jr., of Utah, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2002.

Christy Carpenter, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2002.

Routine lists in the Coast Guard, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. Page 3588

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Mahlon Apgar, IV, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army.

Vivian Lowery Derryck, of Ohio, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Agency for International Development.

G. Edward DeSeve, of Pennsylvania, to be Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget.

James K. Robinson, of Michigan, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Air Force and Army. Page 3588

Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nomination:

Jane G. Gould, of New York, to be Deputy Commissioner of Social Security for the term expiring January 19, 2001, which was sent to the Senate on September 2, 1997. Page 3589

Statements on Introduced Bills: Page 3574

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Additional Statements: Page 3584

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—32) Page 3532

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 1:18 p.m., until 11 a.m., on Monday, March 16, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record, on page 3588.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Monday, March 16, 1998

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will next meet on Monday, March 16.

Committee Meetings

TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE, GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government Appropriations held a hearing on the Office of National Drug Control Policy and the OPM. Testimony was heard from Barry R. McCaffrey, Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy; and Janice R. Lachance, Director, OPM.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on the District of Columbia held a hearing on District of Columbia Public Schools: Student Enrollment Count. Testimony was heard from Cornelia M. Blanchette, Associate Director, Education and Employment Issues, Health Education, and Human Services Division, GAO; the following officials of the District of Columbia: Julius W. Becton, CEO and Superintendent, Public Schools; and Wilma Harvey, Chairman, Board of Education; Joyce Ladner, member, District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority; Bruce MacLaury, Chairman, District of Columbia Public Schools Emergency Board of Trustees; and a public witness.

IMPROVING READINESS CAPABILITIES

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Readiness held a hearing on improving readiness capabilities. Testimony was heard from David Warren, Director, Defense Management Issues, GAO; the following officials of the Department of Defense: Maj. Gen. David A. Whaley, USA, Assistant Chief of Staff, Installations Management, Department of the Army; Rear. Adm. John T. Scudi, USN, Director, Shore Installation Management, Department of the Navy; Brig. Gen. Mary Saunders, USAF, Director, Transportation, Department of the Air Force; Maj. Gen. Joseph D. Stewart, USMC, Deputy Chief of Staff, Installations and Logistics, U.S. Marine Corps; and a public witness.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3598–3721

Measures Introduced: Seven bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1761–1767. **Page 3625**

Education Savings Act for Public and Private Schools: Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 2646, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, and to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts. **Page 3623**

A second motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the motion could occur on Wednesday, March 18, 1998. **Page 3623**

Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill on Tuesday, March 17, 1998, with a vote on the motion close further debate on the motion to proceed to occur at 12:15. **Page 3721**

Appointments:

Library of Congress Trust Fund Board: The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, in consultation with the Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law 102–246, appointed John W. Kluge, of New York, as a member of the Library of Congress Trust Fund Board. **Page 3721**

Nomination-Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for a vote on the nomination of Susan Graber, of Oregon, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, to occur at 2:15 p.m., on Tuesday, March 17, 1998. **Page 3721**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By unanimous vote of 90 yeas (Vote No. 33EX), Jeremy D. Fogel, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California. **Page 3721**

Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nomination:

Frederica A. Massiah-Jackson, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, which was sent to the Senate on July 31, 1997. **Page 3721**

Messages from the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting a report concerning the national emergency with respect to Iran; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM-111).

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Transmitting a report of the fiscal year 1999 budget request of the District of Columbia Courts; referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs. (PM-112).

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Messages From the President:

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Statements on Introduced Bills:

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Notices of Hearings:

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Authority for Committees:

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Additional Statements:

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—33)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 11 a.m., and adjourned at 6:20 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Tuesday, March 17, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record, on page 3721.)

Committee Meetings

PREDATORY LENDING PRACTICES

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded hearings to examine the lending practices of the subprime lending market which provides loans to high risk borrowers, focusing on how senior citizens are targeted by unscrupulous lenders, after receiving testimony from Jodie Bernstein, Director, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission; Gene A. Marsh, University of Alabama Law School, Tuscaloosa; William J. Brennan, Jr., Atlanta Legal Aid Society, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia; Helen Ferguson, Washington, D.C.; Vireta Jackson Arthur, New York, New York; Gael M. Carter, Falls Church, Virginia; and a protected witness.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 2 public bills, H.R. 3465–3466, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: The following reports were filed on Friday, March 13:

H.R. 1704, to establish a Congressional Office of Regulatory Analysis, amended (H. Rept. 105–441 Part 1);

H. Con. Res. 227, directing the President pursuant to section 5(c) of the War Powers Resolution to remove United States Armed Forces from the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina (H. Rept. 105–442); and

H.R. 2870, to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to facilitate protection of tropical forests through debt reduction with developing countries with tropical forests, amended (H. Rept. 105–443).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Barrett of Nebraska to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

National Emergency Re Iran: Message wherein he transmitted his report concerning the national emergency with respect to Iran—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–229); and

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District of Columbia Courts: Message wherein he transmitted the District of Columbia Court's fiscal year 1999 budget request—referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–230).

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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 3590.

Referral: S. Con. Res. 78, relating to the indictment and prosecution of Saddam Hussein for war crimes and other crimes against humanity was referred to the Committee on International Relations.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: No quorum calls or recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: Met at 2:00 p.m. and adjourned at 2:31 p.m.

Committee Meetings

ALLEGATIONS OF CIA INVOLVEMENT OF DRUG TRAFFICKING

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Held a hearing to receive a Report on Allegations of CIA Involvement of Drug Trafficking in California. Testimony was heard from Representatives Millender-McDonald and Waters; and Frederick P. Hitz, Inspector General, CIA.

Tuesday, March 17, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3730–95

Measures Introduced: Twenty-two bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1768–1789, S. Res. 196 and 197, and S. Con. Res. 84.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1768, making emergency supplemental appropriations for recovery from natural disasters, and for overseas peacekeeping efforts, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998. (S. Rept. No. 105-168)

S. 1769, making supplemental appropriations for the International Monetary Fund for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998. (S. Rept. No. 105-169) **Page 3761**

Measures Passed:

Honoring Senator McCain/Vietnam POW's: Senate agreed to S. Res. 196, recognizing, and calling on all Americans to recognize, the courage and sacrifice of Senator John McCain and the members of the Armed Forces held as prisoners of war during the Vietnam conflict and stating that the American people will not forget that more than 2,000 members of the Armed Forces remain unaccounted for from the Vietnam conflict and will continue to press for the fullest possible accounting for all such members whose whereabouts are unknown.

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Education Savings Act for Public and Private Schools—Cloture Vote: By 74 yeas to 24 nays (Vote No. 34), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 2646, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, and to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts. **Page 3741**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for consideration of the bill on Wednesday, March 18, 1998. **Page 3753**

NATO Enlargement: Senate began consideration of Protocols to the North Atlantic Treaty of 1949 on Accession of Poland, Hungary, and the Czech Republic (Treaty Doc. 105-36), with seven declarations and four conditions. **Pages 3754, 3757**

Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination: By unanimous vote of 98 yeas (Vote No. 35 EX), Susan Graber, of Oregon, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit. **Pages 3742, 3795**

Messages From the House: **Page 3761**

Statements on Introduced Bills: **Page 3762**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page 3784**

Amendments Submitted: **Page 3787**

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Authority for Committees: **Page 3789**

Additional Statements: **Page 3790**

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—35) **Page 3741**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 6:44 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Wednesday, March 18, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record, on page 3794.)

Committee Meetings**AUTHORIZATION—CHILD NUTRITION**

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for child nutrition programs, focusing on the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC), after receiving testimony from Shirley R. Watkins, Under Secretary of Agriculture for Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services; Robert A. Robinson, Director, Food and Agricultural Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; Denise Ferris, National Association of WIC Directors, and Robert Greenstein, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, both of Washington, D.C.; Joan Trendall, Marion County Health Department, Indianapolis, Indiana, on behalf of the American Dietetic Association; Joseph Terrance Williams, Wyoming State Electronic Benefits Transfer Program and Western Governor's Association Health Passport Project, Cheyenne; and A.K. Hawley Botchford, Harry Chapin Food Bank of Southwest Florida, Fort Myers.

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

An original bill (S. 1768) making emergency supplemental appropriations for recovery from natural disasters, and for overseas peacekeeping efforts, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998; and

An original bill (S. 1769) making supplemental appropriations for the International Monetary Fund for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998.

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999, receiving testimony in behalf of their respective activities from Catherine Woteki, Under Secretary, and Thomas J. Billy, Administrator, both of the Food Safety and Inspection Service, Michael V. Dunn, Assistant Secretary, Marketing and Regulatory Programs, and Terry L. Medley, Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, all of the Department of Agriculture.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, March 24.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of David R. Oliver, of Idaho, to be Deputy Under Secretary for Acquisition and Technology, Sue Bailey, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary for

Health Affairs, and Paul J. Hoeper, of California, to be Assistant Secretary of the Army for Research, Development and Acquisition, all of the Department of Defense, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Seapower held hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on ship acquisition, receiving testimony from Jerry M. Hultin, Under Secretary of the Navy; John W. Douglass, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition; Vice Adm. Conrad C. Lautenbacher, Jr., USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Resources; Lt. Gen. John E. Rhodes, USMC, Commanding General, Marine Corps Combat Development Command.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

1999 BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: Committee began mark up of a proposed concurrent resolution setting forth the fiscal year 1999 budget for the Federal Government, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

GLOBAL TOBACCO SETTLEMENT

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee resumed hearings on proposed legislation to reform and restructure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, receiving testimony from Senator Jeffords; William B. Schultz, Deputy Commissioner for Policy, and Mitchell Zeller, Associate Commissioner, both of the Food and Drug Administration, and Michael Eriksen, Director, Office on Smoking and Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; Joe Garagiola, Romano and Associates Inc., Columbia, Maryland, on behalf of Oral Health America; Gregory N. Connolly, Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Boston; and Richard H. Verheij, UST Inc., Washington, D.C., on behalf of United States Tobacco Company.

Hearings continue on Thursday, March 19.

PRIVACY IN THE DIGITAL AGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Constitution, Federalism, and Property Rights concluded hearings to examine the use of encryption and mandatory access in digital communications, focusing on proposals to balance privacy rights with law enforcement concerns, after receiving testimony from Representative Goodlatte; Robert S. Litt, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice; James J. Fotis, Law Enforcement Alliance of

America, Falls Church, Virginia; Thomas Parenty, SyBase, Inc., Emeryville, California, Kathleen M. Sullivan, Stanford Law School, Stanford, California, and Richard A. Epstein, University of Chicago Law School, Chicago, Illinois, all on behalf of Americans for Computer Privacy; Bill Weidemann, RedCreek Communications, Newark, California; Cindy A. Cohn, McGlashan and Sarraile, San Mateo, California; and Tim D. Casey, MCI Communications, Washington, D.C.

CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROTECTION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information resumed hearings to examine the need for a national strategy and policies to protect the critical infrastructures of the United States, receiving testimony from former Senator Nunn and Jamie S. Gorelick, each a Co-Chair of the Advisory Committee to the President's Commission on Critical Infrastructure Protection; and Lt. Gen. David J. Kelley, Director, and Brig. Gen. James Hylton, Director of Operations, both of the Defense Information Systems Agency, Department of Defense.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

RETIREMENT SECURITY

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee held hearings to examine retirement security and the need for defined pension plans for American workers, focusing on S. 957, to establish a Pension ProSave system which improves the retirement income security of millions of American workers by encouraging employers to make pension contributions on behalf of employees, by facilitating pension portability, by preserving and increasing retirement savings, and by simplifying pension law, receiving testimony from Representative Pomeroy; David M. Strauss, Executive Director, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation; Ron E. Merolli, National Life of Vermont, Montpelier; James E. Turpin, Turpin and Associates, Albuquerque, New Mexico, on behalf of the American Society of Pension Actuaries; John M. Kimpel, Fidelity Investments, Boston, Massachusetts, on behalf of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce; Joseph S. Perkins, American Association of Retired Persons, Danvers, Massachusetts; Michael Calabrese, Center for National Policy, Washington, D.C., on behalf of the Pensions 2000 Committee; and Michael Garretson, Milwaukee, Oregon, on behalf of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers-USA.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE

Committee on Veterans Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine the medical, chemical, and biological warfare preparedness program of the Department of Defense, focusing on lessons learned from Persian Gulf War illnesses, after receiving testimony from Bernard Rostker, Special Assistant to the Deputy Secretary for Gulf War Illnesses, and Gary A. Christopherson, Acting Assistant

Secretary for Health Affairs, both of the Department of Defense; Rear Adm. Michael L. Cowan, Deputy Director for Medical Readiness, Joint Staff; Randolph F. Wykoff, Associate Commissioner for Operations, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Mark E. Gebicke, Director, Military Operations and Capabilities Issues, National Security and International Affairs Division, General Accounting Office; and Melissa A. McDiarmid, University of Maryland School of Medicine, Baltimore.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 16 public bills, H.R. 3467–3482; 1 private bill, H.R. 3483; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 244–246 and H. Res. 386–387, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 2864, to require the Secretary of Labor to establish a program under which employers may consult with State officials respecting compliance with occupational safety and health requirements, amended (H. Rept. 105–444);

H.R. 2877, to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, amended (H. Rept. 105–445);

H.R. 3096, to correct a provision relating to termination of benefits for convicted persons, amended (H. Rept. 105–446);

H.R. 3039, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to guarantee loans to provide multifamily transitional housing for homeless veterans, and, amended (H. Rept. 105–447);

H.R. 3213, to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify enforcement of veterans' employment rights with respect to a State as an employer or a private employer, to extend veterans' employment and reemployment rights to members of the uniformed services employed abroad by United States companies, amended (H. Rept. 105–448);

H. Res. 388 providing for consideration of H.R. 2870, to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to facilitate protection of tropical forests through debt reduction with developing countries with tropical forests (H. Rept. 105–449); and

H.R. 3412, to amend and make technical corrections in title III of the Small Business Investment Act, amended (H. Rept. 105–450).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Hobson to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Monday, March 16 by a yeas and nays vote of 359 yeas to 38 nays, Roll No. 54.

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Recess: The House recessed at 1:07 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m.

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Electing Speaker Pro Tempore: The House agreed to H. Res. 386, electing the Honorable Richard K. Armey of Texas to act as Speaker pro tempore during the absence of the Speaker.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

OSHA Compliance Assistance Authorization Act: H.R. 2864, amended, to require the Secretary of Labor to establish a program under which employers may consult with State officials respecting compliance with occupational safety and health requirements;

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OSHA Act of 1970 Amendment: H.R. 2877, amended, to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970;

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National Race for the Cure: H. Con. Res. 238, amended, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for a breast cancer survivors event sponsored by the National Race for the Cure;

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Human Rights in China: H. Res. 364, amended, urging the introduction and passage of a resolution on the human rights situation in the People's Republic of China at the 54th Session of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights (agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 397 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 54);

Pages 3809, 3837

Democracy in Botswana: H. Res. 373, commending democracy in Botswana; and

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Elections in Cambodia: H. Res. 361, amended, calling for free and impartial elections in Cambodia (agreed to by yeas and nays vote of 393 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 55).

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Suspensions—Votes Postponed: The House completed debate and postponed votes until Wednesday, March 18 on the following suspensions:

Human Rights in Northern Ireland: The House completed general debate on H. Con. Res. 152, amended, expressing the sense of the Congress that all parties to the multiparty peace talks regarding Northern Ireland should condemn violence and fully integrate internationally recognized human rights standards and adequately address outstanding human rights violations as part of the peace process; and

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Repression in Kosova: H. Con. Res. 235, amended, calling for an end to the violent repression of the legitimate rights of the people of Kosova.

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Member Sworn: Representative-elect Lois Capps presented herself in the well of the House and was administered the oath of office by Speaker pro tempore Armey.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 3835 and 3837. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Natural Resources and Environment. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the USDA: James R. Lyons, Under Secretary, Natural Resources and Environment; Pearlle S. Reed, Chief, Lawrence E. Clark, Deputy Chief, Programs, and Fee Busby, Deputy Chief, Science and Technology, all with the Natural Resources Conservation Service; and Stephen B. Dewhurst, Budget Officer.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development met in executive session to hold a hearing on Atomic Energy Defense Activities. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: Victor H. Reis, Assistant Secretary, Defense Programs; and Rose E. Gottemoeller, Director, Office of Nonproliferation and National Security.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior held a hearing on the Smithsonian and on the Bureau of Land Management. Testimony was heard from I. Michael Hayman, Chairman, Smithsonian Institution; and Patrick Shea, Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior.

LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, the National Institute of Dental Research, the National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases and the National Center for Research Resources. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Duane Alexander, M.D., Director, National Institute of Child Health and Human Develop-

ment; Harold Slavkin, M.D., Director, National Institute of Dental Research; Stephen I. Katz, M.D., Director, National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases and Judith L. Vaitukaitis, M.D., Director, National Center for Research Resources.

NATIONAL SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Natural Security met in executive session to hold a hearing on U.S. Central Command/U.S. European Command. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Gen. Wesley K. Clark, USA, Commander in Chief, U.S. European Command; and Gen. Anthony C. Zinni, USMC, Commander in Chief, U.S. Central Command.

VA-HUD-INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies held a hearing on the Department of Veterans Affairs. Testimony was heard from Togo D. West, Acting Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ENVIRONMENTAL SELF AUDITS

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on the Federal-State Relationship: Environmental Self Audits. Testimony was heard from Senator Allard; Steven A. Herman, Associate Administrator, Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance, EPA; Gale A. Norton, Attorney General, State of Colorado; David Ronald, Assistant Attorney General, State of Arizona; and public witnesses.

WIC PROGRAM

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth, and Families held a hearing on Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC). Testimony was heard from Robert Robinson, Director, Issues Area, GAO; and public witnesses.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFITS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Civil Service held a hearing on Federal Employee Health Benefits: OPM Program Guidance for 1999. Testimony was heard from William E. Flynn, III, Associate Director, Retirement and Insurance Services, OPM; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs, approved for full Committee action, amended, the following bills: H.R. 3310, Small Business Paperwork Reduction Act Amendments of 1998; and H.R. 1704, Congressional Office of Regulatory Analysis Creation Act.

Prior to this action, the Subcommittee held a hearing on H.R. 3310. Testimony was heard from Emily Sheketoff, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, Department of Labor; Joseph Onek, Principal Deputy Associate Attorney General, Department of Justice; Brian J. Lane, Director, Division of Corporate Finance, SEC; and Neil Eisner, Assistant General Counsel, Regulation and Enforcement, Department of Transportation.

AFRICA—PRESIDENT'S HISTORIC VISIT

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Africa held a hearing to preview the President's Historic Visit to Africa. Testimony was heard from Susan E. Rice, Assistant Secretary, Africa, Department of State.

IRAN MISSILE PROTECTION ACT

Committee on National Security: Ordered reported amended H.R. 2786, Iran Missile Protection Act of 1997.

GENDER-INTEGRATED TRAINING—FEDERAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FINDINGS

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Personnel held a hearing on the findings of the Federal Advisory Committee on Gender-Integrated Training and Related Issues and Department of Defense response. Testimony was heard from Nancy Kassebaum Baker, Chairman, Federal Advisory Committee on Gender-Integrated Training and Related Issues; the following officials of the Department of Defense: Rudy de Leon, Under Secretary (Personnel and Readiness); Gen. William W. Couch, USA, Vice Chief of Staff, Department of the Army; Gen. Donald L. Pilling, USN, Vice Chief of Naval Operations, Department of the Navy; Gen. Ralph E. Eberhart, USAF, Vice Chief of Staff, Department of the Air Force; and Gen. Richard I. Neal, USMC, Assistant Commandant, Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1833, Tribal Self-Governance Amendments of 1997; and H.R. 2742, California Indian Land Transfer Act. Testimony was heard from Michael J. Anderson, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; Michael E. Lincoln, Deputy Director, Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services; Stephen V. Quesenberry, Director, Litigation, Indian Legal Services, State of California; and public witnesses.

FOREST SERVICE'S ROADLESS AREA POLICY

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held a hearing on H.R. 3297, to suspend the continued development of a roadless area policy on public domain units and other units of the National Forest System pending adequate public participation and determination that a roadless area policy will not adversely affect forest health and an oversight hearing on follow up

on the Administration's Forest Service Roadless Area Moratorium. Testimony was heard from Michael Dombeck, Chief, Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

TROPICAL FOREST CONSERVATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 2870, Tropical Forest Conservation Act of 1998. The rule makes in order as an original bill for the purpose of amendment the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill, which shall be considered as read. The rule allows the chairman of the Committee of the Whole to accord priority in recognition to those members who have pre-printed their amendments in the *Congressional Record*. The rule further permits the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce the voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representative Bereuter.

TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER COMMERCIALIZATION ACT

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Technology held a hearing on H.R. 2544, Technology Transfer Commercialization Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Ray Kammer, Director, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

TICKET TO WORK AND SELF-SUFFICIENCY ACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security held a hearing on the Ticket to Work and Self-Sufficiency Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Representative Ramstad; Susan Daniels, Associate Commissioner of Disability, SSA; and public witnesses.

CIA OVERVIEW

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on CIA Overview. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

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Measures Introduced: Seven bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1790-1796, S. Res. 198, and S. Con. Res. 85.

Measures Passed:

Condemning Terrorist Actions in Kosovo: By a unanimous vote of 98 yeas (Vote No. 37), Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 85, calling for an end to the violent repression of the people of Kosovo. **Page 4010**

Greek Independence Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 171, designating March 25, 1998, as "Greek Independence Day: A National Day of Celebration of Greek and American Democracy". **Page 4042**

Authorizing Use of Capitol Grounds: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 238, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for a breast cancer survivors event sponsored by the National Race for the Cure. **Page 4043**

Authorizing Use of Capitol Rotunda: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 206, permitting the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust. **Page 4043**

Education Savings Act for Public and Private Schools: Senate began consideration of H.R. 2646, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, and to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Page 3974**

Adopted:

Roth Amendment No. 2019, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 3974**

A third motion was entered to close further debate on the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion would occur on Friday, March 20, 1998. **Page 3975**

A fourth motion was entered to close further debate on the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on this cloture motion could also occur on Friday, March 20, 1998. **Page 3975**

Subsequently, an agreement was reached providing for the cloture votes to occur beginning at 5:15 p.m., on Thursday, March 19, 1998. **Page 4003**

NATO Enlargement: Senate resumed consideration of Protocols to the North Atlantic Treaty of 1949 on Accession of Poland, Hungary, and the Czech Republic (Treaty Doc. 105-36), with seven declarations and four conditions. **Pages 3978, 3982**

Subsequently, an agreement was reached providing that the Treaty be considered as having passed through its various parliamentary stages, up to and including the presentation of the resolution of ratification. **Page 4003**

Prior to this action, by 55 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. 36), Senate agreed to a motion to proceed to executive session to resume consideration of the Treaty. **Page 3978**

Senate will resume consideration of the Treaty on Thursday, March 19, 1998.

Appointments:

Census Monitoring Board: The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 105-119, appointed A. Mark Neuman, of Illinois, to serve as a member of the Census Monitoring Board. **Page 4042**

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—37) **Pages 3978, 4016**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 7:04 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, March 19, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record, on page 4044.)

Committee Meetings**APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE**

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense resumed hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense, focusing on the National Guard and Youth Challenge programs, receiving testimony from Mississippi Governor Kirk Fordice, Jackson; Lt. Gen. Edward D. Baca, Chief, National Guard Bureau; Maj. Gen. William Navas, Jr., Director, Army National Guard; Maj. Gen. Paul A. Weaver, Jr., Director, Air National Guard; Maj. Gen. Jake Lestenkof, Alaska Adjutant General; Joshua B. Phagan, Forsyth, Georgia; and Tiffany Brown, Savannah, Georgia.

Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA REVITALIZATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the District of Columbia held hearings on the implementation of the National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997 (P.L. 105-34) as it relates to the revitalization of the District of Columbia, receiving testimony from Andrew F. Brimmer, Chairman, and Camille C. Barnett, Chief Management Officer, both of the District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority; and Anthony Williams, Chief Financial Officer, Government of the District of Columbia.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

APPROPRIATIONS—LABOR

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Labor, receiving testimony from Alexis M. Herman, Secretary of Labor.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, March 24.

DOD ACQUISITION REFORM

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Acquisition and Technology held hearings to review the status of acquisition reform in the Department of Defense, receiving testimony from Eleanor Hill, Inspector General, Jacques Gansler, Under Secretary for Acquisition and Technology, and Brig. Gen. Timothy P. Malishenko, USAF, Commander, Defense Contract Management Command, Defense Logistics Agency, all of the Department of Defense; Louis J. Rodriguez, Director, Defense Acquisition Issues, General Accounting Office; John Douglass, Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Research, Development and Acquisition); Kenneth Oscar, Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army (Research, Development and Acquisition); and Darleen A. Druyun, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Acquisition and Management).

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Personnel resumed hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on active and reserve military and civilian personnel programs and the Service safety programs, receiving testimony from Rudy de Leon, Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness; Lt. Gen. Frederick E. Vollrath, USA, Deputy Chief of Army Staff for Personnel; Vice Adm. Daniel T. Oliver, USN, Chief of Navy Personnel; Lt. Gen. Carol A. Mutter, USMC, Deputy Chief of Staff for Manpower and Reserve Affairs; and Lt. Gen. Michael D. McGinty, USAF, Deputy Chief of Air Force Staff for Personnel.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

OTS YEAR 2000 PREPAREDNESS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Financial Services and Technology concluded hearings to examine the status of the Office of Thrift Supervision's (OTS) efforts to ensure that the computer operations of OTS and the thrift industry are prepared for the Year 2000 computer conversion challenge, after receiving testimony from Ellen Seidman, Director, Office of Thrift Supervision, Department of the Treasury; and Jack L. Brock, Jr., Director, Governmentwide and Defense Information Systems, Accounting and Information Management Division, General Accounting Office.

1999 BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: Committee continued in evening session to mark up a proposed concurrent resolution setting forth the fiscal year 1999 budget for the Federal Government.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications held oversight hearings on the implementation of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (P.L. 104-104), focusing on the state of competition in local and long distance phone service, the cable industry, and newspaper and radio ownership, receiving testimony from George Reed-Dellinger, HSBC Washington Analysis, and Scott C. Cleland, Legg Mason Wood Walker, Inc., both of Washington, D.C.; and Tod A. Jacobs, Sanford C. Bernstein and Company, New York, New York.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS TO ASIA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on International Economic Policy, Export and Trade Promotion held hearings to examine the role of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) in supporting United States agricultural exports to Asia, receiving testimony from August Schumacher, Jr., Under Secretary of Agriculture for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services; Errol Small, Maryland Department of Agriculture, Annapolis, Maryland; John Hardin, National Pork Producers Council, Danville, Indiana; Bryce Neidig, Nebraska Farm Bureau Federation, Lincoln, on behalf of the American Farm Bureau Federation; and John B. Campbell, AG Processing Inc. (AGP), Omaha, Nebraska.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

VACANCIES ACT IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded oversight hearings on the implementation of the Vacancies Act, which established methods for temporarily filling vacant positions in executive agencies and military departments that require Presidential appointment with the advice and consent of the Senate, after receiving testimony from Senators Byrd and Thurmond; Joseph N. Onek, Principal Deputy Associate Attorney General, and Daniel Koffsky, Special Counsel, Office of Legal Counsel, both of the Department of Justice; Joan M. Hollenbach, Associate General Counsel, General Accounting Office; Morton Rosenberg, Specialist in American Public Law, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; Paul C. Light, The Pew Charitable Trusts, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and Michael J. Gerhardt, Case Western Reserve University Law School, Cleveland, Ohio.

COMPREHENSIVE NUCLEAR TEST-BAN TREATY

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services concluded hearings to examine the impact of the Comprehensive Nuclear Test-Ban Treaty on United States nuclear non-proliferation policy, after receiving testimony from John D. Holum, Acting Under Secretary of State and Director, United States Arms Control and Disarmament Agency; and Spurgeon M. Keeny, Jr., Arms Control Association, Washington, D.C. and former Deputy Director, and Kathleen C. Bailey, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, Livermore, California and former Assistant Director for Nonproliferation, both formally of the United States Arms Control and Disarmament Agency.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Kermit Lipez, of Maine, to be United States Circuit Judge for the First Circuit, Robert T. Dawson, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Arkansas, Garr M. King, to be United States District Judge for the District of Oregon, Johnnie B. Rawlinson, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nevada, and Gregory Moneta Sleet, to be United States District Judge for the District of Delaware, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Lipez was introduced by Senators Snowe and Collins and Representatives Baldacci and Allen, Mr. Dawson was introduced by Senators Bumpers and Hutchinson and Representative Dickey, Mr. King was introduced by Senators Wyden and Gordon Smith, Ms. Rawlinson was introduced by Senators Bryan and Reid, and Mr. Sleet was introduced by Senator Biden.

PREVENTING ADDICTION TO SMOKING AMONG TEENS ACT

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee resumed markup of S. 1648, to amend the Public Health Service Act and the Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide for reductions in youth smoking, for advancements in tobacco-related research, and the development of safer tobacco products, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

1999 SBA BUDGET

Committee on Small Business: Committee held hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 1999 for the Small Business Administration, receiving testimony from Aida Alvarez, Administrator, Small Business Administration.

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Bills Introduced: 19 public bills, H.R. 3484–3502; and 2 resolutions, H.J. Res. 115, and H. Res. 389, were introduced. **Page 3950**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 372, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that marijuana is a dangerous and addictive drug and should not be legalized for medicinal use (H. Rept. 105–451 Part 1);

H.R. 2589, to amend the provisions of title 17, United States Code, with respect to the duration of copyright, amended (H. Rept. 105–452);

H.R. 3246, to assist small businesses and labor organizations in defending themselves against government bureaucracy; to ensure that employees entitled to reinstatement get their jobs back quickly; to protect the right of employers to have a hearing to present their case in certain representation cases; and, to prevent the use of the National Labor Relations Act for the purpose of disrupting or inflicting economic harm on employers (H. Rept. 105–453); and

H.R. 3114, to authorize United States participation in a quota increase and the New Arrangements to Borrow of the International Monetary Fund, amended (H. Rept. 105–454). **Page 3949**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative McInnis act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 3889**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Vessel Hull Design Protection Act: H.R. 2696, amended, to amend title 17, United States Code, to provide for protection of certain original designs; **Page 3893**

Federal Courts Improvement Act: H.R. 2294, amended, to make improvements in the operation and administration of the Federal courts; **Page 3897**

Civil Rights Commission Act: H.R. 3117, amended, to reauthorize the United States Commission on Civil Rights; **Page 3904**

Lobbying Disclosure Technical Amendments Act: S. 758, to make certain technical corrections to the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 clearing the measure for the President; **Page 3907**

Human Rights in Northern Ireland: Debated on March 17, H. Con. Res. 152, amended, expressing the sense of the Congress that all parties to the multiparty peace talks regarding Northern Ireland should condemn violence and fully integrate internationally recognized human rights standards and adequately address outstanding human rights violations as part of the peace

process (agreed to by yeas and nays vote of 407 yeas to 2 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 56); and

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Repression in Kosova: Debated on March 17, H. Con. Res. 235, amended, calling for an end to the violent repression of the legitimate rights of the people of Kosova (agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 406 yeas to 1 nay with 1 voting "present", No. 57).

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Removal of Armed Forces from Bosnia and Herzegovina: The House failed to agree to H. Con. Res. 227, directing the President pursuant to section 5(c) of the War Powers Resolution to remove United States Armed Forces from the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina by a yeas and nays vote of 193 yeas to 225 nays, Roll No. 58.

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Pursuant to the unanimous consent order of March 12, the House considered the concurrent resolution and agreed to the Campbell amendment in the nature of a substitute that provides for the removal of United States Armed Forces from the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina not later than 60 days after the date on which a final judgment is entered by a court of competent jurisdiction determining the constitutional validity of the concurrent resolution.

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Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 3951.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yeas and nays votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 3909, 3910, and 3929. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 5:01 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL TRADE-EUROPE— MULTILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS

Committee on Agriculture: Held a hearing to review the 1999 Multilateral Negotiations on Agricultural Trade-Europe. Testimony was heard from Dan Glickman, Secretary of Agriculture; Peter Scher, Ambassador, Special Trade Negotiator for Agriculture, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative; and public witnesses.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary held a hearing on the SEC, and on Department of State Administration of Foreign Affairs. Testimony was heard from Arthur Levitt, Jr., Chairman, SEC; and Bonnie Cohen, Under Secretary, Management, Department of State.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development met in executive session to continue hearings on Atomic Energy Defense Activities. Testimony was heard from Adm. Frank Lee Bowman, USN, Director of Naval Nuclear Propulsion, Department of the Navy.

FOREIGN OPERATIONS, EXPORT FINANCING AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs held a hearing on the AID Administrator. Testimony was heard from J. Brian Atwood, Administrator, AID, United States International Development Cooperation Agency.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior held a hearing on the U.S. Geological Survey. Testimony was heard from Thomas J. Casadevall, Acting Director, U.S. Geological Survey, Department of the Interior.

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on the National Library of Medicine, the National Institute of Nursing Research: Fogarty International Center, the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, and the National Eye Institute. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Donald A.B. Lindberg, M.D., Director, National Library of Medicine; Patricia A. Grady, M.D., Director, National Institute of Nursing Research; Philip E. Schambra, M.D., Director, Fogarty International Center; Anthony S. Fauci, M.D., Director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases; and Carl Kupfer, M.D., Director, National Eye Institute.

NATIONAL SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on National Security held a hearing on the Quality of Life. Testimony was heard from Sergeant Major Robert E. Hall, USA; Electronic Technical Master Chief Petty Officer, John Hagan, USN; Sergeant Major Lewis G. Lee, USMC; and Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force Eric W. Benken, USAF.

The Subcommittee also met in executive session to hold a hearing on Readiness. Testimony was heard from Gen. William W. Crouch, USA. Vice Chief of Staff of the Army; Adm. Donald L. Pilling, USN, Vice Chief of Naval Operations; Gen. Richard I. Neal, USMC, Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps; and Gen. Ralph E. Eberhart, USAF, Vice Chief of Staff of the Air Force.

**VA-HUD-INDEPENDENT AGENCIES
APPROPRIATIONS**

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies held a hearing on the Department of Veterans Affairs. Testimony was heard from Togo D. West, Acting Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**COMMUNICATIONS SATELLITE COMPETITION
AND PRIVATIZATION ACT**

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection approved for full Committee action, amended, H.R. 1872, Communications Satellite Competition and Privatization Act.

HIGHER EDUCATION AMENDMENTS

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Began markup of H.R. 6, Higher Education Amendments of 1998.

Will continue tomorrow.

OVERSIGHT—YEAR 2000 EFFORTS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology, and the Subcommittee on Technology of the Committee on Science held a joint hearing on the Oversight of the Federal Government's Year 2000 Efforts. Testimony was heard from John Koskinen, Chair, President's Council on Year 2000 Conversion, OMB; Gene Dodaro, Assistant Comptroller General, GAO; the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Constance E. Craig, Assistant Commissioner, Information Resources, Financial Management Services; James J. Flyzik, Acting Chief Information Officer; Arthur A. Gross, Associate Commissioner, Modernization and Chief Information Officer, IRS; and Dennis Schendel, Deputy Assistant Inspector General, Audit; and a public witness.

**CAMPAIGN REFORM AND ELECTION
INTEGRITY ACT**

Committee on House Oversight: Ordered reported amended H.R. 3485, Campaign Reform and Election Integrity Act of 1998.

PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on the Peace Corps: 10,000 Volunteers by the Year 2000. Testimony was heard from Senators Coverdell and Dodd; Representatives Farr, Hall of Ohio, Petri, Shays and Walsh; Donna E. Shalala, Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services; and the following officials of the Peace Corps, Mark Gearan, Director; James Carden, Volunteer.

CONSUMER BANKRUPTCY ISSUES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Laws continued hearings on the consumer bankruptcy issues in H.R. 3150, Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1998, H.R. 2500, Responsible Borrower Pro-

tection Bankruptcy Act; and H.R. 3146, Consumer Lenders and Borrowers Bankruptcy Accountability Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Judith R. Starr, Assistant Chief Litigation Counsel, Enforcement Division, SEC; Bernice Donald, Judge, U.S. District Court, Western District of Tennessee; Michael J. Kane, Deputy Secretary, Enforcement, Department of Revenue, State of Pennsylvania; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property approved for full Committee action the following: Alternative Dispute Resolution; H.R. 3210, amended, Copyright Compulsory License Improvement Act; and H.R. 2652, amended, Collections of Information Antipiracy Act.

U.S. POLICY ON BOSNIA

Committee on National Security: Held a hearing on U.S. Policy on Bosnia. Testimony was heard from William S. Cohen, Secretary of Defense; and Madeleine K. Albright, Secretary of State.

DEFENSE REFORM INITIATIVE

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Installations and Facilities held a hearing on infrastructure implications of the Defense Reform Initiative. Testimony was heard from John B. Goodman, Deputy Under Secretary, Industrial Affairs and Installations, Department of Defense; and the following officials of GAO: Barry W. Holman, Associate Director, Defense Management Issues; Carol R. Schuster, Associate Director, Military Operations and Capabilities Issues; and William M. Solis, Assistant Director, Military Operations and Capabilities Issues.

QUARTERLY READINESS REPORTS

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Readiness held a hearing on Quarterly Readiness Reports. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Louis Finch, Deputy Under Secretary, Readiness; Maj. Gen. John J. Maher, USA, Vice Director, Operations, Joint Staff; Lt. Gen. Thomas N. Burnette, Jr., USA, Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations and Plans and Army Operations, Department of Army; Vice Adm. James O. Ellis, Jr., USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations, Plans, Policy and Operations, Department of Navy; Lt. Gen. Patrick K. Gamble, USAF, Deputy Chief of Staff, Air and Space Operations, Department of the Air Force; Lt. Gen. Martin R. Steele, USMC, Deputy Chief of Staff, Plans, Policies and Operations, Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps.

**OVERSIGHT—NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL
POLICY ACT**

Committee on Resources: Held an oversight hearing on Problems and Issues with the National Environmental Policy

Act. Testimony was heard from Kathleen McGinty, Chair, Council on Environmental Quality; Gale Norton, Attorney General, State of Colorado; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE BUDGET REQUEST AND OTHER NOAA PROGRAMS

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans held an oversight hearing on National Marine Fisheries Service FY '99 Budget request and other National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration programs. Testimony was heard from Robert L. Mallett, Deputy Secretary, Department of Commerce.

OVERSIGHT—DIESEL TECHNOLOGY FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held an oversight hearing on Diesel Technology for the 21st Century. Testimony was heard from Dan Reicher, Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

SMALL BUSINESS REGULATORY BURDEN

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Government Programs and Oversight and the Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform and Paperwork Reduction held a joint hearing on unequal regulatory burden borne by small businesses. Testimony was heard from L. Nye Stevens, Director, Management Workforce Issues, General Government Division, GAO; Jere W. Glover, Chief Council for Advocacy, SBA; Thomas E. Kelly, Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, EPA; Greg Watchman, Acting Assistant Secretary, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, Department of Labor; and public witnesses.

FAA AND AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation continued hearings on reauthorization of the Federal Aviation Administration and Airport Improvement Program. Testimony was heard from Jane F. Garvey, Administrator, FAA, Department of Transportation; Norman Y. Mineta, Chair, National Civil Aviation Review Commission; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

SHIP SCRAPPING ACTIVITIES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing on Ship Scrapping Activities of the United States Government. Testimony was heard from Representative Miller of California; David Heeter, Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, State of North Carolina; Patricia A. Rivers, Assistant Deputy Under Secretary,

Cleanup, Office of the Deputy Under Secretary, Environmental Security, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

BUDGET VIEWS AND ESTIMATES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Approved Fiscal Year 1999 Budget views and estimates for submission to the Committee on the Budget.

VA PARTICIPATION IN ENERGY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Department of Veterans Affairs participation in the Energy Management Program. Testimony was heard from John Archibald, Director, Federal Energy Management Program, Department of Energy; Maj. Gen. Milton Hunter, USA, Director, Military Programs, Army Corps of Engineers, Department of Army; and the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Kenneth Clark, Chief Network Officer, Veterans Health Administration; and Robert A. Palazzi, Chief Design Development, West Haven VA Medical Center; and a public witness.

COMMERCIAL MAPPING TECHNOLOGIES

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a briefing on Commercial Mapping Technologies. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

VETERANS PROGRAMS

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs concluded joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative recommendations of the Disabled American Veterans, after receiving testimony from Harry R. McDonald, Jr., National Commander, Disabled American Veterans.

KOSOVO SITUATION

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded hearings to examine the current repressive and violent situation in Kosovo, focusing on the appropriate international response to achieve peace and instill human rights in the region, after receiving testimony from Bishop Artemije, Prizren and Raska; Isa Zymberi, Kosovo Information Center, London, England; Janusz Bugajski, Center for Strategic and International Studies, and Nancy Lindberg, Mercy Corps International, both of Washington, D.C.; and Fred Abrahams, Human Rights Watch, New York, New York.

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Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Ten bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1797–1806. **Page 4199**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. Res. 155, designating April 6 of each year as "National Tartan Day" to recognize the outstanding achievements and contributions made by Scottish Americans to the United States.

S. Res. 198, designating April 1, 1998, as "National Breast Cancer Survivors' Day". **Page 4198**

Education Savings Act for Public and Private Schools: Senate resumed consideration of H.R. 2646, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, and to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts. **Page 4187**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate took the following action:

By 55 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. 38), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to close further debate on the bill. **Page 4192**

By unanimous-consent agreement, the second cloture vote scheduled for today was postponed to occur on Tuesday, March 24, 1998. **Page 4192**

NATO Enlargement: Senate resumed consideration of Protocols to the North Atlantic Treaty of 1949 on Accession of Poland, Hungary, and the Czech Republic (Treaty Doc. 105–36), with seven declarations and four conditions. **Pages 4152, 4171, 4186**

Senate will continue consideration of the Treaty on Friday, March 20, 1998.

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting a draft of proposed legislation entitled "The National and Community Service Amendments Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources. (PM–113). **Page 4197**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Orson Swindle, of Hawaii, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner for the term of seven years from September 26, 1997.

Mozelle Willmont Thompson, of New York, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner for the term of seven years from September 26, 1996.

James E. Hall, of Tennessee, to be Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board for a term of two years. **Page 4253**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—38) **Page 4192**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:41 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Friday, March 20, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record, on page 4254.)

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—FCC/SEC

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999, receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respective activities from William E. Kennard, Chairman, Federal Communications Commission; and Arthur Levitt, Chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, March 31.

INTELLIGENCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held closed hearings to review certain intelligence matters, receiving testimony from George J. Tenet, Director, Central Intelligence Agency; and Keith Hall, Director, National Reconnaissance Office.

Subcommittee will meet again on Wednesday, March 25.

APPROPRIATIONS—ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL/GAO/GPO

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the Legislative Branch concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999, after receiving testimony in behalf of their respective activities from Alan M. Hantman, Architect of the Capitol; James F. Hinchman, Acting Comptroller General, General Accounting Office; and Michael F. DiMario, Public Printer, Government Printing Office.

APPROPRIATIONS—TRANSPORTATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Transportation, receiving testimony from Rodney E. Slater, Secretary of Transportation, Jane Garvey, Administrator, Federal Aviation Administration, and Adm. Robert E. Kramek, USCG, Commandant, United States Coast Guard, all of the Department of Transportation.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, March 24.

APPROPRIATIONS—VA/ARMY CEMETERIAL EXPENSES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Veterans Affairs and cemeterial expenses of the Army, receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respective activities from Togo West, Acting Secretary of Veterans Affairs; and John Zirschky, Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works).

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, April 23.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported 1,952 military nominations in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force.

NATO ENLARGEMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings to examine issues related to the proposed ratification of the Protocols to the North Atlantic Treaty of 1949 on Accession of Poland, Hungary, and the Czech Republic (Treaty Doc. 105-36), pending on Senate Executive Calendar, focusing on the new missions and interests and military structure of NATO and its impact on Russia's economic restructuring, after receiving testimony from William J. Perry, former Secretary of Defense, William Kristol, Project for the New American Century, Susan Eisenhower, Center for Political and Strategic Studies, and William Hyland, all of Washington, D.C.

AUTHORIZATION—DOE DEFENSE PROGRAMS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces held hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for national defense and the future years defense program, focusing on the Department of Energy's science-based stockpile stewardship and management program, receiving testimony from Victor H. Reis, Assistant Secretary for Defense Programs, C. Paul Robinson, Director, Sandia National Laboratory, Bruce Tarter, Director, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, John Browne, Director, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Karen Clegg, Manager, Kansas City Plant, Gus Gustavson, Manager, Y-12 Plant, William Weinerich, Manager, Pantex Plant, and Joseph Buggy, Executive

Vice President, Westinghouse Savannah River Company/Savannah River Plant, all of the Department of Energy.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, March 24.

1999 BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: On Wednesday, March 18, committee ordered favorably reported an original concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal years 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, and 2003.

GLOBAL TOBACCO SETTLEMENT

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee resumed hearings on proposed legislation to reform and restructure the process by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, receiving testimony from Raymond C. Scheppach, National Governors' Association, and R. Timothy Columbus, Collier, Shannon, Rill & Scott, on behalf of the National Association of Convenience Stores, both of Washington, D.C.; and Martin Feldman, Salomon Smith Barney, New York, New York.

Hearings continue on Tuesday, March 24.

ALASKA NATIVE LAND RIGHTS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded hearings on the following bills:

S. 1488, to ratify an agreement between the Aleut Corporation and the United States to exchange land rights received under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act for certain land interests on Adak Island, and a proposed committee amendment to S. 1488, to provide for the transfer of personal property at the Adak Naval Complex in Alaska to the Aleut Corporation, after receiving testimony from John R. Garamendi, Deputy Secretary of the Interior; William J. Cassidy, Jr., Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Conversion and Redevelopment); and Elary Gromoff, Aleut Corporation, Anchorage, Alaska; and

S. 1670, to provide for the selection of lands by certain Native Alaskan veterans of the Vietnam era, after receiving testimony from John R. Garamendi, Deputy Secretary of the Interior; and Nelson N. Angapak, Sr., Alaska Federation of Natives, Anchorage.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nomination of Richard A. Paez, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit;

S. Res. 155, designating April 6 of each year as "National Tartan Day" to recognize the outstanding achievements and contributions made by Scottish Americans to the United States; and

S. Res. 198, designating April 1, 1998, as "National Breast Cancer Survivors' Day".

INTERNATIONAL AVIATION ALLIANCES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights, and Competition concluded hearings to examine certain issues with regard to international aviation agreements, including the proposed British Airways/American Airlines alliance, focusing on antitrust implications and the impact of alliances on airline marketing practices, after receiving testimony from John H. Anderson, Jr., Director, Transportation Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; Charles A. Hunnicutt, Assistant Secretary of Transportation for Aviation and International Affairs; Joel I. Klein, Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice; Robert J. Ayling, British Airways, and Richard Branson, Virgin Atlantic Airways, both of London, England; Gordon Bethune, Continental Airlines, Houston, Texas; Robert L. Crandall, American Airlines, Fort Worth, Texas; Gerald Greenwald, United Airlines, Chicago, Illinois; Leo F. Mullin, Delta Airlines, Atlanta, Georgia; and Stephen M. Wolf, US Airways, Arlington, Virginia.

HEALTH INSURANCE STANDARDS

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee concluded oversight hearings on the implementation of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (P.L. 104-191), focusing on its impact on consumers, issuers of health coverage, State insurance regulators and federal regulators, after receiving testimony from Representative Nancy Johnson; Nancy-Ann Min Deparle, Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Meredith Miller, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Labor for Pension and Welfare Benefits; William J. Scanlon, Director, Health Financing and Systems Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; Kansas State Senator Sandy Praeger, Topeka, on behalf of the Reforming States Group; Maine Superintendent of Insurance Alessandro Iuppa, Augusta, on behalf of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners; Gail Shearer, Consumers Union, and Bill Gradison, Health Insurance Association of America, both of Washington, D.C.; and Donald Will Moran, The Lewin Group, Fairfax, Virginia.

SMITHSONIAN/KENNEDY CENTER/WOODROW WILSON CENTER

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee concluded hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 1999 and operations of the Smithsonian Institution, the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, and the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, after receiving testimony from I. Michael Heyman, Secretary, Constance Newman, Under Secretary, and Dennis J. O'Connor, Provost, all of the Smith-

sonian Institution; Lawrence J. Wilker, President, John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts; and Dean W. Anderson, Acting Director, and Samuel F. Wells, Deputy Director, both of the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee will meet again on Wednesday, March 25.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 26 public bills, H.R. 3474, 3503-3527; and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 247, were introduced. **Page 4097**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3113, to reauthorize the Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act of 1994 (H. Rept. 105-455). **Page 4097**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Fossella to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 4062**

Journal: By a recorded vote of 359 ayes to 49 noes, Roll No. 60, the House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Wednesday, March 18. **Pages 4062, 4067**

Tropical Forest Conservation Act: The House passed H.R. 2870, to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to facilitate protection of tropical forests through debt reduction with developing countries with tropical forests, by a recorded vote of 356 ayes to 61 noes, Roll No. 63. **Page 4068**

Agreed To:

The Gilman amendment that requires the President to notify congressional committees at least 15 days in advance of each reduction of debt to the United States as a result of loans under the Foreign Assistance Act; credits extended under the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act; and specified loans and credits eligible for sale, reduction, or cancellation under the authority to engage in debt-for-nature swaps and debt buyback (agreed to by a recorded vote of 416 ayes to 1 no, Roll No. 61); and **Pages 4075, 4078**

The Vento en bloc amendment that makes eligible grants for the research and identification of medicinal uses of tropical forest plant life to treat human diseases; and requires consultation with indigenous leaders by the Enterprise for the Americas Board with respect to a tropical forest fund in the beneficiary country and region as

appropriate (agreed to by a recorded vote of 335 ayes to 79 noes, Roll No. 62). **Page 4075**

H. Res. 388, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a yea and nay vote of 411 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 59. **Page 4065**

Legislative Program: The Majority Leader announced the legislative program for the week of March 23. **Page 4081**

Meeting Hour—Monday, March 23: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, March 23. **Page 4082**

Meeting Hour—Tuesday, March 24: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, March 23, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 24, for Morning-Hour debate. **Page 4082**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday, March 25. **Page 4082**

Presidential Message—Legislative Proposal: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted his legislative proposal entitled the "National and Community Service Amendments Act of 1998"—referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-231). **Page 4082**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 4062.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 4099.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea and nay vote and four recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 4066, 4067, 4079, and 4080. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 3:21 p.m.

Committee Meetings

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary held a hearing on the DEA, and on NOAA. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Thomas A. Constantine, Administrator, DEA; Donna Bucella, Director, Executive Office, U.S. Attorneys; and Mary Lee Warren, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division; and D. James Baker, Under Secretary, Oceans and Atmosphere, Department of Commerce.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development held a hearing on the Power Marketing Administrations. Testimony was heard from the

following Administrators of the Power Administrations, Department of Energy: Rodney L. Adelman, Alaska; John S. Robertson, Acting, Bonneville Power Administration; Charles A. Borchardt, Southeastern; Michael A. Deihl, Administrator, Southwestern; and Michael S. Hacskeylo, Acting, Western Area.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior held a hearing on the Secretary of Agriculture and the Forest Service. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Agriculture: Dan Glickman, Secretary; and James Lyons, Under Secretary, Natural Resources and Environment.

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on the National Institute of Drug Abuse, the National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, the National Institute of Mental Health and the National Institute on Aging. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Alan I. Leshner, M.D., Director, National Institute on Drug Abuse; Enoch Gordis, M.D., Director, National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism; Steven E. Hyman, M.D., Director, National Institute of Mental Health; and Richard J. Hodes, M.D., Director, National Institute on Aging.

NATIONAL SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on National Security continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress and public witnesses.

TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE, GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government held a hearing on the FEC and the U.S. Postal Service. Testimony was heard from Scott E. Thomas, Vice Chairman, FEC, and Chairman, Finance Committee; and Marvin T. Runyon, Postmaster General and CEO, U.S. Postal Service.

VA-HUD-INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies, held a hearing on American Battle Monuments Commission, and the Office of Inspector General, FDIC. Testimony was heard from Gen. Fred Worner, Chairman, American Battle Monuments Commission; and Gaston Gianni, Jr., Inspector General, FDIC.

TOBACCO SETTLEMENT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment continued hearings on the Tobacco Settlement,

with emphasis on views of the public. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

GAO FINDING—ALLEGED MEDICARE IMPROPRIETIES

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on GAO's Investigative Findings of Alleged Medicare Improproprieties by a Home Health Agency. Testimony was heard from Eljay B. Bowron, Assistant Comptroller General, Office of Special Investigations, GAO; and the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Linda Ruiz, Director, Program Integrity, Health Care Financing Administration; and George F. Grob, Deputy Inspector General, Office of Evaluations and Inspections.

HIGHER EDUCATION AMENDMENTS

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Ordered reported amended H.R. 6, Higher Education Amendments of 1998.

SMALL BUSINESS PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT; BUDGET VIEWS AND ESTIMATES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Ordered reported amended H.R. 3310, Small Business Paperwork Reduction Act Amendments of 1998.

The Committee also approved Fiscal Year 1999 Budget views and estimates for submission to the Committee on the Budget.

CONSUMER BANKRUPTCY ISSUES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Laws concluded hearings on the consumer bankruptcy issues in H.R. 3150, Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1998, H.R. 2500, Responsible Borrower Protection Bankruptcy Act; and H.R. 3146, Consumer Lenders and Borrowers Bankruptcy Accountability Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the U.S. Trustees: Patricia A. Staiano, Region 3 and Kevyn, Orr, Deputy Director, Executive Office; Robert F. Hershner, Jr., Chief Bankruptcy Judge, Middle District of Georgia; Michael J. Kaplan, Chief Bankruptcy Judge, Western District of New York; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property held an oversight hearing on the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO). Testimony was heard from Bruce A. Lehman, Assistant Secretary, Commerce and Commissioner, Patent and Trademarks, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

RURAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime held a hearing on H.R. 1524, Rural Law Enforcement Assistance Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Representatives Hutchinson and Baldacci; Hobart Henson, Director, Of-

fice of State, Local and International Training, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—NATURALIZATION APPLICATIONS CASELOAD

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims held an oversight hearing on the pending and anticipated caseload of naturalization applications. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice: James S. Angus, Acting Executive Director, Office of Naturalization Operations; and Edward J. Murphy, Deputy Director, Office of Naturalization Operations.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AUTHORIZATION REQUEST

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Procurement held a hearing on the Department of Energy fiscal year 1999 authorization request and related matters. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: Federico F. Pena, Secretary; Victor H. Reis, Assistant Secretary, Defense Programs; James M. Owendoff, Acting Assistant Secretary, Environmental Management; and Rose E. Gortemoeffer, Director, Office of Nonproliferation and National Security.

RUSSIAN NUCLEAR SECURITY ISSUES

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Research and Development held a hearing on Russian nuclear security issues. Testimony was heard from Gen. Alexander Lebed, (Rtd.) former Secretary Russian Security Council.

ROYALTY ENHANCEMENT ACT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing on H.R. 3334, Royalty Enhancement Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Cynthia Quarterman, Director, Minerals Management Service, Department of the Interior; Jim Geringer, Governor, State of Wyoming, and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans held a hearing on the following: S. 1213 and H.R. 2547, Oceans Act of 1997, and the Ocean Commission Act. Testimony was heard from D. James Baker, Under Secretary, Oceans and Atmosphere, Department of Commerce; and Kenneth Brink, Chairman, Ocean Studies Board, National Academy of Sciences; and public witnesses.

NORTHERN SPOTTED OWL—IMPACT ON NATIONAL FORESTS

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held an oversight hearing on Impact and Status of Northern Spotted Owl on National Forests. Testimony was heard from Representative Herger; James Lyons,

Under Secretary, Natural Resources and Environment, USDA; Gerry Jackson, Assistant Director, Ecological Services, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

HUMAN SPACE FLIGHT BUDGET REQUEST

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics held an oversight hearing on FY 99 Budget Request: Human Space Flight. Testimony was heard from the following officials of NASA: Joe Rothenberg, Associate Administrator, Office of Space Flight; Brig. Gen. (Select) Kevin Chilton, USAF, Deputy Program Manager, Space Station Program Office and Tommy Holloway, Program Manager, Space Shuttle Program Office, both at the Johnson Space Center.

SBA BUDGET

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing on SBA Budget. Testimony was heard from Aida Alvarez, Administrator, SBA; Jack Lew, Deputy Director, OMB; and public witnesses.

CHARITABLE GIVING PARTNERSHIP ACT

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Empowerment held a hearing on H.R. 3241, Charitable Giving Partnership Act. Testimony was heard from Senator Coats; Representatives Myrick and Salmon; David Long, member, Senate, State of Indiana; and public witnesses.

FAA AND AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation continued hearings on reauthorization of the Federal Aviation Administration and Airport Improvement Program. Testimony was heard from Gerald L. Dillingham, Associate Director, Transportation Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue March 25.

VETERANS LEGISLATION; VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION MANAGEMENT

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Health approved for full Committee action Fiscal Year 1999 Construction Authorization legislation.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on quality management at the Veterans Health Administration. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Thomas Garthwaite, M.D., Deputy Under Secretary, Health; and John Mather, M.D., Assistant Inspector General, Health Care Inspections; and public witnesses.

TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES BLOCK GRANT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Human Resources held an oversight hearing on implementation of the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) block grant. Testimony was heard from the following of-

ficials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Olivia A. Golden, Assistant Secretary, Children and Families; and Howard Rolston, Director, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, Administration for Children and Families; Daniel Weinberg, Division Chief, Housing and Household Economic Statistics, Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce; J. Jean Rogers, Administrator, Division of Economic Support, Department of Health and Social Services, State of Wisconsin; Don Winstead, Welfare Reform Administrator, Department of Children and Families, State of Florida; and public witnesses.

OVERHEAD SIGNALS INTELLIGENCE STUDY

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a briefing on Overhead Signals Intelligence Study. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4271-96

Measures Introduced: Two bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1807 and 1808 and S. Con. Res. 86. **Page 4284**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. Con. Res. 86, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal years 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, and 2003 and revising the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1998. (S. Rept. No. 105-170) **Page 4864**

Measures Passed:

National Tartan Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 155, designating April 6 of each year as "National Tartan Day" to recognize the outstanding achievements and contributions made by Scottish Americans to the United States. **Page 4293**

National Breast Cancer Survivors Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 198, designating April 1, 1998, as "National Breast Cancer Survivors Day". **Page 4293**

NATO Enlargement: Senate resumed consideration of Protocols to the North Atlantic Treaty of 1949 on Accession of Poland, Hungary, and the Czech Republic (Treaty Doc. 105-36), with seven declarations and four conditions. **Pages 4271, 4277**

Education Savings Act for Public and Private Schools—Cloture Vote Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the vote on the motion to close further debate on H.R. 2646, to amend

the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, and to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts, to occur on Tuesday, March 24, 1998 at 5:30 p.m. **Page 4295**

Emergency Supplemental Appropriations—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 1768, making emergency supplemental appropriations for recovery from natural disasters, and for overseas peacekeeping efforts, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, on Monday, March 23, 1998. **Page 4295**

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed for the following treaty:

Treaty with Saint Kitts and Nevis on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 105-37)

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and was ordered to be printed. **Page 4293**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

46 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

3 Army nominations in the rank of general.

12 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps.

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Measures Referred:

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Statements on Introduced Bills:

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Additional Statements:

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 1:40 p.m., until 12 noon, on Monday, March 23, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record, on page 4295.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Committee Meetings

OVERHEAD ACQUISITION ISSUES; IMAGERY INTELLIGENCE ISSUES; SIGNALS INTELLIGENCE ISSUES

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold hearings on the following: Overhead Acquisition Issues; Imagery Intelligence Issues; and Signals Intelligence Issues. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4302-77

Measures Introduced: Fourteen bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1809-1822. **Page 4351**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Special Report entitled "Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals from the Concurrent Resolution for Fiscal Year 1998" (S. Rept. No. 105-171)

H.R. 400, to amend title 35, United States Code, with respect to patents, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 4351**

Emergency Supplemental Appropriations: Senate began consideration of S. 1768, making emergency supplemental appropriations for recovery from natural disasters, and for overseas peacekeeping efforts, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 4306, 4318, 4326**

Adopted:

Byrd Amendment No. 2062, to establish an emergency commission to study the trade deficit. **Page 4309**

Stevens (for Domenici/Bingaman) Amendment No. 2067, to prohibit the Department of the Army from moving forward with civilian personnel reductions and the offer of Voluntary Separations Incentive Pay (VSIP) and Voluntary Early Retirement Authority (VERA) benefits at all Army Test Ranges until such time as the Congress has the opportunity to consider the merits of such actions during the Fiscal Year 1999 Appropriations process, and to require that the VERA and VSIP benefits being currently offered will continue to be available if necessary. **Page 4326**

Stevens (for Craig) Amendment No. 2069, to make technical corrections regarding a Forest Service transportation system moratorium. **Pages 4332, 4335**

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will next meet on Monday, March 23.

Stevens (for Daschle) Amendment No. 2070, to provide additional funds for emergency river and shoreline repairs along the Missouri River in South Dakota.

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Stevens (for Cochran/Bumpers) Amendment No. 2071, to provide assistance to replace or rehabilitate trees and vineyards damaged by natural disasters.

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Stevens (for Boxer) Amendment No. 2072, to provide additional funds for emergency levee repairs at Suisun Marsh, California.

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Stevens (for Inouye) Amendment No. 2073, to provide additional funds for emergency maintenance dredging at Apra Harbor, Guam.

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Stevens (for Cochran/Bumpers) Amendment No. 2074, to subsidize the cost of additional boll weevil eradication loans.

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Stevens (for Boxer) Amendment No. 2075, to waive certain requirements with respect to emergency disaster highway assistance necessitated by the 1997/1998 storms from El Nino.

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Stevens (for Lott) Amendment No. 2076, to provide additional support for Democratic opposition in Iraq, and to provide for the establishment of Radio Free Iraq.

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Levin Amendment No. 2077, to urge the President to formalize certain benchmarks by agreement with NATO and to provide for NATO review of any failures timely to achieve such benchmarks, and to impose related reporting requirements.

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Stevens Amendment No. 2078 (to Amendment No. 2077), of a clarifying nature.

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Rejected:

McCain Amendment No. 2063, to eliminate certain spending items from the bill. (By 61 yeas to 31 nays (Vote No. 39), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Pending:

Stevens (for Kyl) Amendment No. 2079, to provide contingent emergency funds for the enhancement of a number of theater missile defense programs.

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Ashcroft Amendment No. 2080, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide to private sector employees the same opportunities for time-and-a-half compensatory time off and bi-weekly work programs as Federal employees currently enjoy to help balance the demands and needs of work and family, and to clarify the provisions relating to exemptions of certain professionals from the minimum wage and overtime requirements of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938.

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Senate will resume consideration of the bill on Tuesday, March 24, 1998.

Energy Policy and Conservation—Conferees: The Chair, pursuant to the order of February 12, 1998, appointed conferees on H.R. 2472, to extend certain programs under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act, as follows: Senators Murkowski, Nickles, Craig, Thomas, Bumpers, Bingaman, and Akaka.

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Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting a report concerning the national emergency with respect to Angola; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM-114).

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Transmitting the annual report of the National Endowment for Democracy for fiscal year 1997; referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM-115).

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Messages From the President: **Page 4343**

Communications: **Page 4344**

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Additional Cosponsors: **Page 4360**

Amendments Submitted: **Page 4361**

Notices of Hearings: **Page 4375**

Additional Statements: **Page 4375**

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total-39) **Page 4332**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon, and adjourned at 7:15 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, March 24, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record, on page 4377.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 3 public bills, H.R. 3474, 3528, 3529, were introduced. **Page 4300**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Filed on March 20, H.R. 2843, to direct the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to reevaluate the equipment in medical kits carried on, and to make a decision regarding requiring automatic external defibrillators to be carried on aircraft operated by air carriers, amended (H. Rept. 105-456); and

H.R. 3485, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to reform the financing of campaigns for election for Federal office, amended (H. Rept. 105-457, Part 1). **Page 4300**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Nethercutt to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 4297**

Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

National Emergency Re Angola: Message wherein he transmitted his report concerning the national emergency with respect to Angola—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-233); and **Pages 4297**

National Endowment for Democracy: Message wherein he transmitted the fiscal year 1997 Annual Report of the National Endowment for Democracy—referred to the Committee on International Relations. **Page 4298**

Quorum Calls—Votes: No quorum calls or recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: Met at 2:00 p.m. and adjourned at 2:08 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4386-4440

Measures Introduced: Thirty-three bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1823-1855 and S. Res. 199. **Page 4425**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Special Report entitled "Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals from the Concurrent Resolution for fiscal Year 1998" (S. Rept. No. 105-172) **Page 4425**

Emergency Supplemental Appropriations: Senate continued consideration of S. 1768, making emergency supplemental appropriations for recovery from natural disasters, and for overseas peacekeeping efforts, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Page 4387**

Adopted:

Stevens Amendment No. 2085, to establish a treatment of educational accomplishments of National Guard Challenge Program participants. **Page 4393**

Stevens (for Kyl) Amendment No. 2079, to provide contingent emergency funds for the enhancement of a number of theater missile defense programs. **Page 4391**

Stevens Amendment No. 2092, to require the Federal Communications Commission to submit a report on universal service support for public institutional telecommunications users. **Page 4394**

Leahy Amendment No. 2098, to clarify the definition of "Great Lakes". **Page 4395**

Stevens (for Frist/Byrd) Amendment No. 2101, to provide exemption authority for air service to slot-controlled airports. **Page 4405**

Gorton Modified Amendment No. 2102, to limit International Monetary Fund loans to Indonesia. **Pages 4405, 4418**

D'Amato Amendment No. 2109, to provide funds to compensate dairy producers for production losses due to natural disasters. **Page 4415**

Stevens (for Leahy) Amendment No. 2111, to eliminate the State matching requirement with respect to certain amounts made available for fiscal year 1998 for the Small Business Development Center program of the Small Business Administration. **Page 4418**

Stevens (for Coverdell/Cochran/Bumpers/Boxer/Cleland) Amendment No. 2112, to provide additional funds for emergency watershed and flood prevention operations. **Page 4419**

Stevens (for Kennedy/Kerry) Amendment No. 2113, to authorize the Secretary of Defense to acquire a lease or other short-term interest in certain cranberry bogs near the Massachusetts Military Reservation, Massachusetts. **Page 4419**

Stevens (for Coats/Lieberman) Amendment No. 2114, to extend the National Defense Panel to the end of fiscal year 1998. **Page 4419**

Stevens (for Shelby/Byrd/Boxer/Dorgan) Amendment No. 2115, to provide funds for emergency railroad rehabilitation and repair on Class II and Class III railroads. **Page 4420**

Stevens (for Gregg/Hollings) Amendment No. 2116, providing for the transfer of certain funds to the Department of State. **Page 4420**

Stevens (for Ashcroft) Amendment No. 2117, to encourage to use the voice and vote of the United States to enhance the general effectiveness of the International Monetary Fund. **Page 4420**

Stevens (for Hollings) Amendment No. 2118, to establish an IMF impact team. **Page 4420**

Stevens (for Grassley) Amendment No. 2119 (to Amendment No. 2100), to encourage the IMF to establish bankruptcy reform in economically troubled nations. **Page 4420**

Rejected:

Gramm/Santorum Amendment No. 2104, to establish that only that portion of budget authority provided in this Act that is obligated during fiscal year 1998 shall be designated as an emergency requirement pursuant to the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985. (By 76 yeas to 24 nays (Vote No. 40), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Page 4407**

Pending:

McConnell Modified Amendment No. 2100, to provide supplemental appropriations for the International Monetary Fund for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998. **Page 4398**

Faircloth Amendment No. 2103, to establish an Education Stabilization Fund to make loans to States for constructing and modernizing elementary and secondary schools. **Page 4406**

Stevens (for Nickles) Amendment No. 2120, to strike certain funding for the Health Care Financing Administration. **Page 4421**

Withdrawn:

Ashcroft Amendment No. 2080, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide to private sector employees the same opportunities for time-and-a-half compensatory time off and bi-weekly work programs as Federal employees currently enjoy to help balance the demands and needs of work and family, and to clarify the provisions relating to exemptions of certain professionals from the minimum wage and overtime requirements of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938. **Pages 4386, 4421**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Wednesday, March 25, 1998.

Education Savings Act for Public and Private Schools—Cloture Vote Postponed: By unanimous-consent agreement, the cloture vote on the motion to close further debate on H.R. 2646, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, and to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts, scheduled to occur today, was postponed. **Page 4417**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

William Joseph Burns, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan.

Ryan Clark Crocker, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Syrian Arab Republic.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—40) **Page 4415**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:48 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, March 25, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks

of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record, on page 4439.)

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Farm and Foreign Agricultural Service of the Department of Agriculture, receiving testimony from August Schumacher, Jr., Under Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Programs, Keith Kelly, Administrator, Farm Service Agency, Christopher E. Goldthwait, General Sales Manager, Lon S. Hatamiya, Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service, and Kenneth D. Ackerman, Administrator, Risk Management Agency, all of the Department of Agriculture.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, March 31.

ALZHEIMERS DISEASE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education concluded hearings to examine issues with regard to Alzheimers disease, focusing on its impact on families and research and development programs, after receiving testimony from Steven DeKosky, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Donald Schmechel, Duke University Medical Center, Durham, North Carolina; Orien Reid, Laverock, Pennsylvania, on behalf of the Alzheimer's Association; Bob and Rosemary Cronin, Dubuque, Iowa; and Piper Laurie, Los Angeles, California.

DRUG ADDICTION AND RECOVERY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education concluded hearings on proposals to provide for nondiscriminatory coverage for substance abuse treatment services under private group and individual health coverage, after receiving testimony from Senator Wellstone; Representative Ramstad; Alan I. Leshner, Director, National Institute on Drug Abuse, Department of Health and Human Services; Fred D. Hafer, General Public Utilities, Inc., Morristown, New Jersey; William Cope Moyers, Hazelden Foundation, Center City, Minnesota; John T. Schwarzlose, Betty Ford Center, Indian Wells, California, on behalf of the Partnership for Recovery and the National Association of Addiction Treatment Providers; Buzz Aldrin, Santa Monica, California; Shawn Colvin and Bill Moyers, both of New York, New York; and Carroll O'Connor and Mackenzie Phillips, both of Los Angeles, California.

APPROPRIATIONS—AMTRAK

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak), focusing on

how to improve intercity passenger rail in the United States, receiving testimony from Senators Roth, Biden, and Baucus; Phyllis F. Scheinberg, Associate Director, Transportation Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; Kenneth M. Mead, Inspector General, Department of Transportation; Jack Lew, Deputy Director, Office of Management and Budget; Mayor Ed Rendell, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Robert Kiley, New York City Partnerships, New York, New York; Robert Poole, Reason Foundation, Los Angeles, California; and Jeff Ladd, Metra Commuter Rail, Chicago, Illinois.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, April 2.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT REFORM

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Acquisition and Technology resumed hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on the management of research, development, test and evaluation programs, receiving testimony from John W. Lyons, Director, Army Research Laboratory, Richard E. Metrey, Director, Carderock Division, Naval Surface Warfare Center, George T. Singley, III, Acting Director, Defense Research and Engineering, and Patricia A. Sanders, Director, Test, Systems Engineering and Evaluation, all of the Department of Defense.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces resumed hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on ballistic missile defense programs, receiving testimony from Lt. Gen. Lester L. Lyles, USAF, Director, Ballistic Missile Defense Organization, Department of Defense; Gen. Larry D. Welch, USAF (Ret.), Institute for Defense Analyses, Alexandria, Virginia; David J. Smith, Global Horizons, Inc., Annandale, Virginia; and William R. Graham, National Security Research, Inc., Fairfax, Virginia.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, March 26.

PROFESSIONAL BOXING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings to examine certain business practices within the professional boxing industry, focusing on the role and status of State regulation, contract issues, and the promotion of the athletes, after receiving testimony from Gregory P. Sirb, Pennsylvania State Athletic Commission, Harrisburg, on behalf of the Association of Boxing Commissions; Cedric Kushner, Cedric Kushner Promotions, Long Island, New York; James J. Binns, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on behalf of the World Boxing Association and the World Boxing Association of

North America; Patrick C. English, Clifton, New Jersey; and Fredric G. Levin, Pensacola, Florida.

GLOBAL TOBACCO SETTLEMENT

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings on proposed legislation to reform and restructure the process by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, after receiving testimony from Lawrence H. Summers, Deputy Secretary, and Jonathan Gruber, Deputy Assistant Secretary, both of the Department of the Treasury; Scott R. Strand, Minnesota Office of Attorney General, St. Paul; Floyd Abrams, Cahill, Gordon & Reindel, Martin Feldman, Smith Barney, Inc., and Harvey R. Miller, Weil, Gotshal & Manges, all of New York, New York; and Harvey S. Rosen, Burke, Rosen & Associates, Cleveland, Ohio.

NATIONAL PARKS/HISTORIC SITES/MEMORIALS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation concluded hearings on S. 887, to establish in the National Park Service the National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom Program, S. 991, to make technical corrections to the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996, S. 1695, to establish the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site in the State of Colorado, and S.J.Res. 41, approving the location of a Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial in the Nation's Capital, after receiving testimony from Senators Warner, Sarbanes, DeWine, and Moseley-Braun; Katherine H. Stevenson, Associate Director, Cultural Resource Stewardship and Partnerships, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; Steve Brady, Northern Cheyenne Band of Sand Creek Descendants, Lame Deer, Montana; Laird Cometsevah, Clinton, Oklahoma; David Fridtjof Halaas, Colorado Historical Society, Denver; Iantha Gantt-Wright, National Parks and Conservation Association, Washington, D.C.; Cathy Nelson, Ohio Underground Railroad Association, Columbus; Ed Rigaud, National Underground Railroad Freedom Center, Cincinnati, Ohio; Glennette Tilley Turner, Wheaton, Illinois, on behalf of the Underground Railroad Advisory Committee; and John H. Carter, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia, on behalf of the Washington D.C. Martin Luther King, Jr. National Memorial Project Foundation, Inc.

AUTHORIZATION—SUPERFUND

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee began mark up of S. 8, to revise and authorize funds for fiscal years 1998 through 2002 for programs of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Liability, and Com-

pensation Act (Superfund), but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

INDONESIA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs concluded hearings to examine the current economic and political situation in Indonesia, after receiving testimony from Aurelia E. Brazeal, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs; Arian Ardie, Deputy Secretary General of KIKAS (Kadin Indonesia Komite Amerika Serikat), Indonesian Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Jakarta, Indonesia; and Walter B. Lohman, U.S.-ASEAN Business Council, Edward E. Masters, U.S.-Indonesia Society, and Adam Schwarz, Council on Foreign Relations, all of Washington, D.C.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Ivan L.R. Lemelle, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana, A. Howard Matz, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, and George Caram Steeh III and Arthur J. Tarnow, each to be a United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Lemelle was introduced by Senators Breaux and Landrieu, Mr. Matz was introduced by Senator Boxer, and Messrs. Steeh and Tarnow were introduced by Senator Levin.

HEALTH CARE QUALITY

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee concluded hearings on proposals to promote quality and fairness in employment-based group health plans and to improve consumer protections and the quality of health care in the employment-based system, including S. 1712, S. 644, S. 373, S. 353, S. 449, and S. 346, after receiving testimony from Senator Lieberman; Margaret A. Hamburg, Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services for Planning and Evaluation; Meredith Miller, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Labor for Pension and Welfare Benefits; Colorado Commissioner of Insurance Jack Ehnes, Denver, on behalf of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners; Beau Carter, Integrated Healthcare Association, Pleasanton, California; Joanne L. Hustead, National Partnership for Women and Families, Washington, D.C.; Mark S. Waskow, Waskow Group, Burlington, Vermont, on behalf of the National Federation of Independent Business; Thomas R. Reardon, Portland, Oregon, on behalf of the American Medical Association; Joe Laymon, Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, New York, on behalf of the Business Roundtable; and Staci J. Froelich, Tacoma Park, Maryland.

VETERANS' EMPLOYMENT

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1021, to provide that a veterans' preference eligible (PE) or an individual who has been separated from military service under honorable conditions after three or more years of active duty shall not be denied the opportunity to compete for a vacant position within a Federal agency, either in the competitive or excepted service, after receiving testimony from Senator Cleland; Representative Mica; Michael Brostek, Associate Director, Federal Management and Workforce Issues, General Government Division, General Accounting Office; Mary Lou Lindholm, Associate Director for Employment, Office of Personnel Management; Espiridion Borrego, Assistant Secretary of Labor for the Veterans' Employment and Training Service; Stephen A. Moe, Manager, Selection, Evaluation, and Recognition, United States Postal Service; Kimo S. Hollingsworth, American Legion, and Sidney Daniels, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, both of Washington, D.C.; Veronica A'zera, AMVETS, Lanham, Maryland; Larry D. Rhea, Non Commissioned Officers Association of the United States of America, Alexandria, Virginia; and Gary D. Miles, American Federation of Government Employees (AFL-CIO), and Kurt Vorndran, National Treasury Employees Union, both of Washington, D.C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 15 public bills, H.R. 3530-3544; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 248-249, and H. Res. 392 were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 3211, to amend title 38, United States Code, to enact into law eligibility requirements for burial in Arlington National Cemetery, amended (H. Rept. 105-458);

H.R. 2186, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance to the National Historic Trails Interpretive Center in Casper, Wyoming (H. Rept. 105-459);

H. Res. 390, providing for consideration of H.R. 2589, to amend the provisions of title 17, United States Code, with respect to the duration of copyright (H. Rept. 105-460);

H. Res. 391, providing for consideration of H.R. 2578, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to extend the visa waiver pilot program, and to provide for the collection of data with respect to the number of non immigrants who remain in the United States after the expira-

tion of the period of stay authorized by the Attorney General (H. Rept. 105-461); and

H.R. 3310, to amend chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code, for the purpose of facilitating compliance by small businesses with certain Federal paperwork requirements, and to establish a task force to examine the feasibility of streamlining paperwork requirements applicable to small businesses, amended (H. Rept. 105-462 Part 1).

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Bishop Eddie L. Long of Decatur, Georgia.

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Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Monday, March 24 by a ye and nay vote of 368 yeas to 40 nays, Roll No. 64.

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Recess: The House recessed at 1:07 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m.

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National Summit on Retirement Savings: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Mr. Jack Ulrich of Pennsylvania to the National Summit on Retirement Savings.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Traffic Stops Statistics Study Act: H.R. 118, amended, to provide for the collection of data on traffic stops;

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Burial Eligibility In Arlington National Cemetery: H.R. 3211, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to enact into law eligibility requirements for burial in Arlington National Cemetery (passed by ye and nay vote of 412 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 65);

Pages 4449, 4468

Enforcement of Veterans' Employment Rights: H.R. 3213, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify enforcement of veterans' employment rights with respect to a State as an employer or a private employer and to extend veterans' employment and reemployment rights to members of the uniformed services employed abroad by United States companies;

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Small Business Investment Company Technical Corrections: H.R. 3412, amended, to amend and make technical corrections in title III of the Small Business Investment Act (passed by ye and nay vote of 407 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 66).

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Land Conveyance in Virginia: H.R. 3226, A bill to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain lands and improvements in the State of Virginia; and

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Aviation Medical Assistance Act: H.R. 2843, amended, to direct the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to reevaluate the equipment in medical kits carried on, and to make a decision regarding requir-

ing automatic external defibrillators to be carried on, aircraft operated by air carriers.

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Corrections Calendar: On the call of the Corrections Calendar, the House passed H.R. 3096, to correct a provision relating to termination of benefits for convicted persons by a ye and nay vote of 408 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 67. The Clerk was authorized to make technical corrections and conforming changes in the engrossment of the bill.

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Recess: The House recessed at 4:01 p.m. and reconvened at 5:02 p.m.

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Capitol Preservation Commission: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representative Walsh to the United States Capitol Preservation Commission.

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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 4441.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 4508.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four ye and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 4467, 4468, and 4469. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 11:05 p.m.

Committee Meetings

EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS; EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL AND RECESSIONS APPROPRIATIONS; REVISED SUBDIVISIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the following: Emergency Supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 1998; and the Emergency Supplemental and Recessions appropriations for fiscal year 1998.

The Committee also approved revised 302(b) subdivisions for fiscal year 1998.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development held a hearing on U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Army: John H. Zirschky, Acting Assistant Secretary (Civil Works); and Lt. Gen. Joe N. Ballard, USA, Commanding General, Corps of Engineers.

TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE, GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury held a hearing on the National Archives and the GSA. Testimony was heard from John W. Carlin, Archivist of the United States, National Archives and Records Ad-

ministration; and David J. Barram, Acting Administrator, GSA.

CRITICAL SYSTEMS—YEAR 2000 READINESS

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Held a hearing on Assessing the Year 2000 Readiness of Critical Systems at HUD, Treasury, and Federal Financial Regulatory Agencies. Testimony was heard from John A. Koskinen, Assistant to the President, Chairman, President's Council on Year 2000 Conversion; and the following officials of the GAO: Joel C. Willemssen, Director, Civil Agencies Information Systems; and Jack L. Brock, Jr., Director, Governmentwide and Defense Information Systems.

WIRELESS ENHANCED 911 SERVICES

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade and Consumer Protection held a hearing on Wireless Enhanced 911 Services. Testimony was heard from Representative Danner; Ricardo Martinez, Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation; Denis Galvin, Deputy Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; David Bibb, Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Real Property, Office of Government Wide Policy, GSA; Hal Daub, Mayor, City of Omaha, Nebraska; and public witnesses.

FEDERAL EMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION ACT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held an oversight hearing to review the Federal Employment Compensation Act. Testimony was heard from Diane M. Disney, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Civilian Personnel Policy, Department of Defense; Larry B. Anderson, Manager, Safety and Workplace Assistance, U.S. Postal Service; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 1252, Judicial Reform Act of 1997; H.R. 3528, Alternative Dispute Resolution Act of 1998; H.R. 2652, Collections of Information Antipiracy Act; and H.R. 2759, Health Professional Shortage Area Nursing Relief Act of 1997.

FREEDOM FROM RELIGIOUS PERSECUTION ACT—IMMIGRATION PROVISIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims held a hearing regarding the immigration provisions of H.R. 2431, Freedom from Religious Persecution Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Paul Virtue, General Counsel, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice; the following officials of the Department of State: Alan Kreczko, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration; and Nancy Sambaiew, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Visa Services, Bureau of Consular Affairs; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held a hearing on the following bills; H.R. 3381, Gallatin Land Consolidation Act of 1998; H.R. 2886, Granite Watershed Enhancement and Protection Act of 1997; California Spotted Owl Interim Protection Act of 1998; and H.R. 1021 Miles Land Exchange Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Representative Herger; Bob Joslin, Deputy Chief, National Forest System, Forest Service, USDA; Pat Graham, Director, Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks, State of Montana; and public witnesses.

REALTY APPRAISAL PROCESS—BLM LAND EXCHANGES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands held an oversight hearing on Realty Appraisal Process on BLM Land Exchanges. Testimony was heard from Pat Shea, Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

VISA WAIVER PILOT PROGRAM

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 2578, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to extend the visa waiver pilot program, and to provide for the collection of data with respect to the number of non-immigrants who remain in the United States after the expiration of the period of stay authorized by the Attorney General. The rule provides that no amendment to the bill will be in order unless printed in the Congressional Record. The rule allows the chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Finally, the rule provides that after passage of the House bill, it be in order to insert the House-passed language in the Senate bill number. Testimony was heard from Representative Smith of Texas.

COPYRIGHT TERM EXTENSION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 2589, Copyright Term Extension Act. The rule makes in order the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and provides that it will be considered as read. The rule provides that no amendment to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute will be in order unless printed in the Congressional Record. The rule waives points of order against the amendment by Mr. Sensenbrenner printed in the Congressional Record, and numbered 1 for failure to comply with clause 7 of rule XVI (prohibiting non-germane amendments). The rule allows the chairman of

the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Coble and Sensenbrenner.

EDUCATING CHILDREN—COMPETITIVE TECHNOLOGY SKILLS

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Technology and the Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth and Families of the Committee on Education and the Workforce held a joint oversight hearing on Educating our Children with Technology Skills to Compete in the Next Millennium. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

BUILDING EFFICIENT SURFACE TRANSPORTATION AND EQUITY ACT; WATER RESOURCES SURVEY RESOLUTIONS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Ordered reported amended H.R. 2400, the Building Efficient Surface Transportation and Equity Act.

The Committee also approved 4 water resources survey resolutions.

PATIENT CONFIDENTIALITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on patient confidentiality. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

REQUIREMENTS PROCESS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a briefing on the Requirements Process. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTING

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs' Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring, and the District of Columbia concluded joint hearings with the House Committee on Government Reform and Oversight Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology on S. 314 and H.R. 716, bills to require that the Federal Government procure from the private sector the goods and services necessary for the operations and management of certain Government agencies, and proposed legislation to provide a fair, competitive process for the selection of sources to perform activities of the Federal Government that are not inherently governmental functions, after receiving testimony from Senator Thomas; G. Edward DeSeve, Acting Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget; former Deputy Mayor Skip Stitt, Indianapolis, Indiana; Bryan Logan, Earth Data, International,

Gaithersburg, Maryland, on behalf of the Management Association for Private Photogrammetric Surveyors; Lawrence Trammell, Science Applications International Corporation, San Diego, California, on behalf of the Contract Services Association of America; Douglas K. Stevens, Jr., U.S. Chamber of Commerce, Robert M. Tobias, National Treasury Employees Union, and Bobby L. Harnage, Sr., American Federation of Government Employees (AFL-CIO), all of Washington, D.C.; Michael B. Styles, Federal Managers Association, Alexandria, Virginia; and Steve Kelman, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

CYBERCRIME

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded hearings to examine the potential problems with cyber banking and protecting the cyber infrastructure while eliminating the potential of economic tampering and espionage, after receiving testimony from Neil J. Gallagher, Deputy Assistant Director, Criminal Division, Larry E. Torrence, Deputy Assistant Director, National Security Division, and Michael A. Vatis, Deputy Assistant Director and Chief, National Infrastructure Protection Center, all of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice.

AGRICULTURAL REFORM ACT

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 1150, to ensure that federally funded agricultural research, extension, and education address high-priority concerns with national multistate significance, and to reform, extend, and eliminate certain agricultural research programs.

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Eight bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1856-1863 and S. Con. Res. 87. **Page 4598**

Measures Passed:

Enrollment Correction: Senate passed S. Con. Res. 87, to correct the enrollment of S. 419. **Page 4614**

Emergency Supplemental Appropriations: Senate continued consideration of S. 1768, making emergency supplemental appropriations for recovery from natural disasters, and for overseas peacekeeping efforts, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Page 4532**

Adopted:

Domenici Amendment No. 2124, Domenici/Bingaman Amendment No. 2124, relating to the Petroglyph National Monument in New Mexico. **Page 4551**

Bond Amendment No. 2122, to provide emergency community block grant funding to assist States in recovering from natural disasters occurring in Fiscal Year 1998. **Pages 4551, 4559**

Bond/Mikulski Amendment No. 2123, to provide additional funding for disaster relief to aid disaster-stricken States. **Pages 4551, 4559**

Wellstone Modified Amendment No. 2128, to provide for an Advisory Committee on International Monetary Policy. **Pages 4552, 4582**

By 90 yeas to 10 nays (Vote No. 43), Helms Amendment No. 2130, to express the sense of the Senate that the United Nations should recognize the generous support of United States taxpayers towards international peace and security. **Pages 4571, 4581**

Rejected:

Feingold Amendment No. 2121, to remove the emergency designation for the supplemental appropriations to fund incremental costs of contingency operations in Bosnia. (By a 92 yeas to 8 nays (Record Vote No. 41), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages 4540, 4556**

Nickles Amendment No. 2131 (to Amendment No. 2123), to ensure that additional funding for the Federal Emergency Management Agency does not reduce the unified budget surplus. (By 68 yeas to 31 nays (Vote No. 42), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Page 4565**

Pending:

McConnell Modified Amendment No. 2100, to provide supplemental appropriations for the International Monetary Fund for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998. **Page 4532**

Stevens (for Nickles) Amendment No. 2120, to strike certain funding for the Health Care Financing Administration. **Pages 4541, 4553, 4556**

Enzi Amendment No. 2133, to prohibit the Secretary of the Interior from promulgating certain regulations relating to Indian gaming activities. **Pages 4581, 4584**

Bumpers Amendment No. 2134, to express the sense of the Senate that of the rescissions, if any, which Congress makes to offset appropriations made for emergency items in the Fiscal Year 1998 supplemental appropriations bill, defense spending should be rescinded to offset increases in spending for defense programs. **Page 4589**

Robb Amendment No. 2135, to reform agricultural credit programs of the Department of Agriculture. **Page 4589**

Withdrawn:

Hutchison Amendment No. 2083, to express the sense of the Congress that the President and Congress should create the conditions for a withdrawal by a date certain of U.S. ground combat forces in the territory of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina. **Page 4533**

Faircloth Amendment No. 2103, to establish an Education Stabilization Fund to make loans to States for constructing and modernizing elementary and secondary schools. **Page 4554**

Gregg Amendment No. 2129 (to Amendment No. 2103), to provide for a reservation of funds for activities under part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. (The amendment fell when Amendment No. 2123, listed above, was withdrawn. **Pages 4554, 4557**

Wellstone Amendment No. 2125, to encourage reform of International Monetary Fund policies. **Pages 4552, 4580**

Wellstone Amendment No. 2126, to express the sense of Congress that the Government of Indonesia should release Mughtar Pakpahan from prison and have all criminal charges against him dismissed. **Pages 4552, 4580**

Wellstone Amendment No. 2127, to encourage the International Monetary Fund to require burden-sharing by private creditors. **Pages 4552, 4580**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Thursday, March 26, 1998.

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—430) **Pages 4558, 4570, 4589**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:33 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, March 26, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record, on page 4615.)

Committee Meetings

PERSIAN GULF

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings to examine the United States strategy in the Persian Gulf, after receiving testimony from Paul Wolfowitz, Johns Hopkins University Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies, former Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, and Anthony H. Cordesman, Georgetown University Center for Strategic and International Studies, both of Washington, D.C.; and David A. Kay, Science Applications International Corporation, McLean, Virginia.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Airland Forces resumed hearings on proposed legislation author-

izing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on tactical aviation modernization, receiving testimony from John Douglass, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition; Arthur Money, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition; Philip Coyle, Director, Operational Test and Evaluation, Office of the Secretary of Defense; and Louis Rodrigues, Director, Defense Acquisitions, General Accounting Office.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

NOMINATION

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Arthur Levitt Jr., of New York, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Moynihan, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications held hearings on the implementation of Section 271 of the Telecommunications Act (P.L. 104-104), relating to the application process for local telephone companies desiring to provide long distance service, and S. 1766, to permit Bell operating companies to provide interstate and intrastate telecommunications services, receiving testimony from William E. Kennard, Chairman, and Susan Nell, Harold W. Furchtgott-Roth, Michael K. Powell, and Gloria Tristani, each a Commissioner, all of the Federal Communications Commission; Jay A. Blossman, Louisiana Public Service Commission, Mandeville; Pat Wood, Public Utilities Commission of Texas, Austin; Anne K. Bingaman, LCI Local Services Division, McLean, Virginia; Sid Boren, BellSouth Corporation, Atlanta, Georgia; Lisa Rosenblum, Cablevision Systems Corporation, Woodbury, New York; William E. Taylor, National Economic Research Associates, Inc., Cambridge, Massachusetts; and John Windhausen, Jr., Competition Policy Institute, Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

LAND EXCHANGE AND BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENTS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management concluded hearings on S. 890, to dispose of certain Federal properties located in Dutch John, Utah, to assist the local government in the interim delivery of basic services to the Dutch John community, S. 1109, to make a minor adjustment in the exterior boundary of the Devils Backbone Wilderness in the Mark Twain National Forest, Missouri, to exclude a small parcel of land containing improvements, S. 1468, to provide for the conveyance of one acre of land from the Santa Fe National Forest to the Village of Jemez Springs, New Mexico, as the site of a fire sub-

station, S. 1469, to provide for the expansion of the historic community cemetery of El Rito, New Mexico, through the special designation of five acres of Carson National Forest adjacent to the cemetery, S. 1510, to convey certain lands to the county of Rio Arriba, New Mexico, S. 1683, to transfer administrative jurisdiction over part of the Lake Chelan National Recreation Area in the State of Washington from the Secretary of the Interior to the Secretary of Agriculture for inclusion in the Wenatchee National Forest, S. 1719, to provide for the exchange of land and other assets including certain timber harvest rights with the Big Sky Lumber Company for inclusion in the Gallatin National Forest and Deerlodge National Forest in the State of Montana, S. 1752, to convey certain administrative sites and use the proceeds for the acquisition of office sites and the acquisition, construction, or improvement of offices and support buildings for the Coconino National Forest, Kaibab National Forest, Prescott National Forest, and Tonto National Forest in Arizona, S. 1807, to transfer administrative jurisdiction over certain parcels of public domain land in Lake County, Oregon, to facilitate management of the land, H.R. 1439, to facilitate the sale of certain land in Tahoe National Forest in the State of California to Placer County, California, and H.R. 1663, to clarify the intent of the Congress in Public Law 93-632 to require the Secretary of Agriculture to continue to provide for the maintenance of 18 concrete dams and weirs that were located in the Emigrant Wilderness at the time the wilderness area was designated as wilderness in that Public Law, after receiving testimony from Senators Bennett and Baucus; Representative Doolittle; Eleanor Towns, Director of Lands Staff, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Steven Richardson, Director, Office of Policy and External Affairs, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; Chad Reed, Daggett County Commission, Milila, Utah; Deborah Sliz, on behalf of the Colorado River Energy Distributors Association, and Michael A. Francis, Wilderness Society, both of Washington, D.C.; Mike Atwood, RY Timber Company, Livingston, Montana; Kurt Alt, Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Helena; Michael Scott, Greater Yellowstone Coalition, and Vito Quatrero, Headwaters Fish and Game Association, Inc., both of Bozeman, Montana; Kevin Kelleher, Citizens of Gallatin Canyon, Big Sky, Montana; Ken Marks, Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors/District 3, and Matt Bloom, Kennedy Meadows Pack Station and Resort, on behalf of the Tuolumne County Sportsmen's Association, both of Sonora, California; Steve Brougher, Wilderness Watch, Twain Harte, California; and Loenzo Valdez, Espanola, New Mexico.

AUTHORIZATION—SUPERFUND

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee continued markup of S. 8, to revise and authorize funds for fiscal year 1998 through 2002 for programs of the

Comprehensive Environmental Response, Liability, and Compensation Act (Superfund), but did not complete action thereon, and will continue tomorrow.

ECONOMIC SANCTIONS REFORM

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on International Economic Policy, Export and Trade Promotion held hearings on S. 1413, to provide a framework for consideration by the legislative and executive branches of unilateral economic sanctions, receiving testimony from Senator Lugar; Representative Hamilton; Clayton K. Yeutter, Hogan & Hartson, former U.S. Trade Representative and former Secretary of Agriculture, and William C. Lane, Caterpillar Inc., on behalf of USA Engage, both of Washington, D.C.; Dean Kleckner, Des Moines, Iowa, on behalf of the American Farm Bureau Federation; and Kenneth Roth, Human Rights Watch, New York, New York.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

GOVERNMENT SECRECY ACT

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on S. 712, to provide for a system to classify information in the interests of national security and a system to declassify such information, after receiving testimony from Edmund Cohen, Director of Information Management, Central Intelligence Agency; J. William Leonard, Director of Security Programs, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Command, Control, Communications, and Intelligence; A. Bryan Siebert, Director, Office of Declassification, Office of Nonproliferation and National Security, Department of Energy; Steven Garfinkel, Director, Information Security Oversight Office, National Archives and Records Administration; T. Jeremy Gunn, Executive Director and General Counsel, John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Review Board; and Steven Aftergood, Federation of American Scientists, Washington, D.C.

U.S. FLAG PROTECTION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution, Federalism, and Property Rights concluded hearings to examine the tradition and importance of protecting the United States Flag, and S.J. Res. 40, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States, after receiving testimony from Wisconsin State Senator Roger Breske, Madison; Idaho Attorney General Alan G. Lance, Sr., Boise; Stephen B. Presser, Northwestern University School of Law, Chicago, Illinois; Robert Justin Goldstein, Oakland University, Rochester, Michigan; Adrian Cronauer, Burch & Cronauer, Washington, D.C.; Patrick H. Brady, Citizens Flag Alliance, Sumner, Washington; Rose E. Lee, Gold Star Wives of America, Arlington, Virginia; Mary Frost, Selective Learning Network, Kansas City, Missouri; Francis J. Sweeney, Steamfitters Local Union 449, Pitts-

burgh, Pennsylvania; Bruce Fein, McLean, Virginia; Stan Tiner, Mobile, Alabama; and Keith A. Kreul, Fennimore, Wisconsin.

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Federal Election Commission, after receiving testimony from Scott E. Thomas, Vice Chairman, and Lee Ann Elliott, Commissioner, both of the Federal Election Commission.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee will meet again tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 13 public bills, H.R. 3545–3557; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 250 and H. Res. 395, 397, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 393, providing for consideration of H.R. 3246, to assist small businesses and labor organizations in defending themselves against government bureaucracy; to ensure that employees entitled to reinstatement get their jobs back quickly; to protect the right of employers to have a hearing to present their case in certain representation cases; and to prevent the use of the National Labor Relations Act for the purpose of disrupting or inflicting economic harm on employers (H. Rept. 105–463);

H. Res. 394, providing for consideration of H.R. 2515, to address the declining health of forests on Federal lands in the United States through a program of recovery and protection consistent with the requirements of existing public land management and environmental laws, to establish a program to inventory, monitor, and analyze public and private forests and their resources (H. Rept. 105–464);

H.R. 1023, to provide for compassionate payments with regard to individuals with blood-clotting disorders, such as hemophilia, who contracted human immunodeficiency virus due to contaminated blood products (H. Rept. 105–465 Part 1);

H. Res. 396, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3310) to amend chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code, for the purpose of facilitating compliance by small businesses with certain Federal paperwork requirements, and to establish a task force to examine the feasi-

bility of streamlining paperwork requirements applicable to small businesses (H. Rept. 105-466); and

H.R. 2400, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, amended (H. Rept. 105-467 Part 1). **Page 4716**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Shimkus to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 4616**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, the Reverend Henry Eisenhart of the American Legion. **Page 4616**

Sonny Bono Copyright Term Extension Act: The House passed H.R. 2589, to amend the provisions of title 17, United States Code, with respect to the duration of copyright. **Page 4623**

Agreed to:

The Coble amendment that makes technical changes, specifies that the author's executor or trustee shall own the entire termination interest in the event that the author dies without heirs; and establishes the assumption of certain contractual obligations related to residual payments in the case of a transfer of copyright ownership in a motion picture; and **Page 4631**

The Sensenbrenner amendment that exempts certain music uses from copyright protection; provides for arbitration of rate disputes involving performing rights societies; and prohibits vicarious liability with respect to landlords or any other person making space available to another party by contract (agreed to by a recorded vote of 297 ayes to 112 noes, Roll No. 69). **Page 4632**

Rejected the McCollum amendment that sought to provide a music licensing exemption for certain food service or drinking establishments (rejected by a recorded vote of 150 ayes to 259 noes, Roll No. 68). **Page 4634**

The Clerk was authorized in the engrossment of the bill to insert "Sonny Bono" before "Copyright Term Extension Act" at each place it appears; and the Clerk was authorized to correct section, numbers, punctuation, cross references and to make such other technical and conforming changes as may be necessary to reflect the actions of the House in amending the bill. **Page 4649**

Earlier, agreed to H. Res. 390, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by a voice vote. **Page 4621**

Visa Waiver Pilot Program: The House passed H.R. 2578, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to extend the visa waiver pilot program, and to provide for the collection of data with respect to the number of non immigrants who remain in the United States after the expiration of the period of stay authorized by the Attorney General by a recorded vote of 407 ayes with none voting "no", Roll No. 71. Agreed to amend the title. Subsequently, S. 1178, a similar Senate-passed bill was passed after being amended to contain the text of H.R. 2578, as passed the House. Agreed to amend the title; and H.R. 2578 was laid on the table. **Page 4650**

Agreed To:

The Smith of Texas amendment, as modified, that extends the visa waiver pilot program from 1999 until 2000; and **Page 4658**

The Pombo amendment that increases the non-immigrant visa refusal rate from 2 percent to 3 percent (agreed to by a recorded vote of 360 ayes to 46 noes, Roll No. 70); **Page 4658**

Earlier, agreed to H. Res. 391, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by a voice vote. **Page 4649**

Late Report—Transportation Reauthorization: The Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure received permission to have until midnight on Wednesday, March 25 to file a report on H.R. 2400, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs. Also, agreed that the committee may file a supplemental report to the bill at any time before midnight on Friday, March 27. **Page 4670**

Condolence Resolution: The House agreed to H. Res. 395, expressing the condolences of the House on the death of the Honorable Steven Schiff, a Representative from the State of New Mexico. **Page 4670**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 4718.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 4647, 4648, 4667, and 4668. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 395, adjourned at 10:48 p.m. as a further mark of respect to the memory of the Honorable Steven Schiff.

Committee Meetings

RURAL AREAS—EFFECTS OF ELECTRIC DEREGULATION

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Forestry, Resource Conservation, and Research held a hearing on the effect of electric deregulation on rural areas. Testimony was heard from Wally B. Beyer, Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, USDA; and a public witness.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary held a hearing on the FCC and the Bureau of the Census. Testimony was heard from William E. Kennard, Chairman, FCC; and the following officials of the Department of Commerce: Lee Price, Under Secretary, Economic Affairs; and James Holmes, Acting Director, Bureau of the Census.

**ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT
APPROPRIATIONS**

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development held a hearing on the Bureau of Reclamation. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Interior: Bruce Babbitt, Secretary; Patricia J. Beneke, Assistant Secretary, Water and Science; and Eluid L. Martinez, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior held a hearing on the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Indian Health Service. Testimony was heard from Kevin Gover, Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs; and Paul Homan, Special Trustee for American Indians, both with the Bureau of Indian Affairs; and Michael H. Trujillo, Director, Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services.

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on the National Cancer Institute and the Secretary of Education. Testimony was heard from Richard D. Klausner, M.D., Director, National Cancer Institute, Department of Health and Human Services; and Richard W. Riley, Secretary of Education.

**VA-HUD-INDEPENDENT AGENCIES
APPROPRIATIONS**

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies held a hearing on the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Testimony was heard from Andrew M. Cuomo, Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Commerce: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 1872, Communications Satellite Competition and Privatization Act of 1998; and H.R. 2691, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Reauthorization Act of 1997.

NRC REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing on reauthorization of the NRC. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the NRC: Shirley Ann Jackson, Chairman; Nils J. Diaz, Greta Joy Dicus, and Edward McGaffigan, Jr., all Commissioners.

**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR'S DENIAL OF
EMPLOYMENT SERVICE FUNDS TO STATES**

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on the Department of Labor's Denial of Employment Service Funds

to the States. Testimony was heard from Ray Uhalde, Acting Assistant Secretary, Employment and Training, Department of Labor; John Freeman, Representative, State of Michigan; Doug Rothwell, CEO and Department Director, Jobs Commission, State of Michigan; Jonathan Raymond, Deputy Director, Workforce Development, State of Massachusetts; Diane Rath, Commissioner, Workforce Commission, State of Texas; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on House Oversight: Met and approved pending Committee business.

FREEDOM FROM RELIGIOUS PERSECUTION ACT

Committee on International Relations: Ordered reported amended H.R. 2431, Freedom From Religious Persecution Act of 1997.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROCEDURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution held a hearing on H.J. Res. 84, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to provide a procedure by which the States may propose constitutional amendments. Testimony was heard from Representative Bliley; George Allen, former Governor, State of Virginia; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime continued hearings on H.R. 1524, Rural Law Enforcement Assistance Act of 1997 and held a hearing on H.R. 2829, Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Laurie Robinson, Assistant Attorney General, Office of Justice Programs, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 1522, amended, to extend the authorization for the National Historic Preservation; H.R. 1833, amended, Tribal Self-Governance Amendments of 1997; S. 231, National Cave and Karst Research Institute Act; H.R. 3069, Advisory Council on California Indian Policy Act of 1997; and H.R. 3297, amended, to suspend the continued development of a roadless area policy on public domain units and other units of the National Forest System pending adequate public participation and determinations that a roadless area policy will not adversely affect forest health.

FOREST RECOVERY AND PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 2515, Forest Recovery and Protection Act of 1997. The rule provides that in lieu of the Agriculture Committee's amendment, that an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of H.R. 3530 shall be considered as an original

bill for the purpose of amendment, and provides that the amendment shall be considered as read. The rule waives clause 7 of Rule XVI (prohibiting non-germane provisions) or clause 5(a) of Rule XXI (prohibiting appropriations in a legislative bill) against the amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of H.R. 3530. The rule permits the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have preprinted their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule permits the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Smith and Representatives Furse and Brown of California.

FAIRNESS FOR SMALL BUSINESS AND EMPLOYEES ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a structured rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 3246, Fairness for Small Business and Employees Act of 1998. The rule make in order only those amendments printed in the report of the Committee on Rules. The rule provides that the amendments make in order shall be considered only in the order specified, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule permits the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Goodling and Representatives Fawell and Clay.

SMALL BUSINESS PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of general debate equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight on H.R. 3310, Small Business Paperwork Reduction Act Amendments of 1998. The rule makes in order the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and provides that it will be considered as read. The rule waives points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with clause 2(l)(6) of rule XI (requiring a three-day layover of the committee report) or section 303 of the Congressional Budget Act (prohibiting consideration of legislation, as reported, providing new budget authority, changes in revenues, or changes in the public

debt for a fiscal year until the budget resolution for that year has been agreed to) or section 311 of the Congressional Budget Act (prohibiting consideration of legislation or an amendment that would cause the total level of new budget authority or outlays in the most recent budget resolution to be exceeded or would cause revenues to be less). The rule also waives points of order against the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute for failure to comply with section 303 or section 311 of the Congressional Budget Act. The rule provides that Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record prior to their consideration will be given priority in recognition to offer their amendments if otherwise consistent with House rules. The rule allows the chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce the voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives McIntosh, Kucinich, and Tierney.

CAMPAIGN REFORM AND ELECTION INTEGRITY ACT

Committee on Rules: Held a hearing on H.R. 3485, Campaign Reform and Election Integrity Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Chairman Thomas, Representatives Gekas, Shays, Stearns, Franks of New Jersey, White, Gejdenson, Kilpatrick, Dingell, Fazio of California, Price of North Carolina, Barrett of Wisconsin, Maloney of New York, Farr of California, and Allen.

OVERSIGHT—INTERNATIONAL SCIENCE

Committee on Science: Held an oversight hearing on International Science. Testimony was heard from Bruce Alberts, President, National Academy of Sciences; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—BUDGET AUTHORIZATION REQUESTS

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held an oversight hearing on the Fiscal Year 1999 Budget Authorization Requests: Department of Energy, EPA Research and Development, and NOAA. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

DEATH TAX REFORM

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Tax, Finance and Exports held a hearing on The First Step: Death Tax Reform. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FAA AND AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation concluded hearings on the Reauthorization of the Federal Aviation Administration and

Airport Improvement Program in Light of the Recommendations of the National Civil Aviation Review Commission. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

JFK CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Economic Development held a hearing on H.R. 3504, John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts Authorization Act. Testimony was heard from Lawrence J. Wilker, President, John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and Bernard L. Ungar, Director, Government Business Operations Issues, GAO.

TICKET TO WORK AND SELF-SUFFICIENCY ACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security approved for full Committee action H.R. 3433, Ticket to Work and Self-Sufficiency Act of 1998.

INFORMATION ASSURANCE BRIEFING

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a briefing on Information Assurance. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

VETERANS' PROGRAMS

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs concluded joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative recommendations of certain veterans' organizations, after receiving testimony from Col. Robert F. Norton, USA (Ret.), Retired Officers Association, George Duggins, Vietnam Veterans of America, and Wayne Hitchcock, American Ex-Prisoners of War, all of Washington, D.C.; and Josephus C. Vandengoorbergh, AMVETS, Lanham, Maryland.

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Thursday, March 26, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4741–4850

Measures Introduced: Nine bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1864–1872, and S. Res. 200. **Page 4816**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 927, to amend title 28, United States Code, to provide for appointment of United States marshals by the

Attorney General, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 4816**

Measure Passed:

National Maritime Arbitration Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 200, designating March 26, 1998, as "National Maritime Arbitration Day". **Page 4848**

Measure Rejected:

Mexico Drug Decertification: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S.J. Res. 42, to disapprove the certification of the President under section 490(b) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 regarding foreign assistance for Mexico during the fiscal year 1998 and, by 45 yeas to 54 nays (Vote No. 47), the resolution was rejected: **Page 4792**

Emergency Supplemental Appropriations: Senate concluded consideration of S. 1768, making emergency supplemental appropriations for recovery from natural disasters, and for overseas peacekeeping efforts, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, after taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Page 4741**

Adopted:

Enzi Amendment No. 2133, to prohibit the Secretary of the Interior from promulgating certain regulations relating to Indian gaming activities. **Page 4741**

Stevens (for McCain) Amendment No. 2136, to clarify that unmarried adult children of Vietnamese reeducation camp internees are eligible for refugee status under the Orderly Departure Program. **Page 4748**

Stevens (for Murkowski/Stevens) Amendment No. 2137, to make technical corrections to the Michigan Indian Lands Claims Settlement Act to provide certain health care services for Alaska natives. **Page 4748**

Stevens (for Murkowski/Stevens) Amendment No. 2138, to make technical corrections to the Fiscal Year 1998 Department of Interior Appropriations Act (P.L. 105–83). **Page 4748**

Stevens (for Bond/Stevens) Amendment No. 2139, to make emergency funds available for the purchase of F/A–18 aircraft. **Page 4748**

Stevens (for Chafee) Amendment No. 2140, to modify the Energy and Water Development section of the bill. **Page 4748**

Stevens (for Wyden) Amendment No. 2141, to eliminate secrecy in international financial and trade organizations. **Page 4748**

Stevens (for Bond) Amendment No. 2142, to make technical corrections to Economic Development Grant program funded in 1992 as part of the Empowerment Zone Act. **Page 4748**

Stevens (for Craig) Amendment No. 2143, to make technical corrections to Section 405 of the bill regarding Forest Service transportation system moratorium. **Page 4748**

By unanimous consent, Amendment No. 2062, to establish an emergency commission to study the trade deficit, agreed to on March 23, 1998, was modified.

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Stevens (for Cochran/Bumpers) Amendment No. 2144, to make a technical correction in the language of the Livestock Disaster Assistance Program. **Pages 4748, 4750**

Stevens (for Wellstone/Conrad/Dorgan) Amendment No. 2145, to subsidize the cost of additional farm operating and emergency loans. **Pages 4748, 4750**

Stevens (for Jeffords/Leahy) Amendment No. 2146, to make funds available for emergency construction to repair the Mackville Dam, Hardwick, Vermont. **Pages 4748, 4750**

Stevens (for Lott) Amendment No. 2147 (to Amendment No. 2100), to make a technical correction. **Pages 4748, 4750**

Stevens (for Daschle) Amendment No. 2148, to provide funds for humanitarian demining activities in Bosnia and Herzegovina. **Pages 4748, 4750**

Stevens (for Gregg) Amendment No. 2149, to make a technical correction to the Patent and Trademark section of the bill. **Pages 4748, 4750**

Stevens (for Levin) Amendment No. 2150 (to Amendment No. 2100), dealing with the consultation by the Secretary of the Treasury with the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative regarding prospective IMF borrower countries. **Pages 4748, 4750, 4753**

Stevens (for Grassley/Stevens) Amendment No. 2151, to make funds available for construction of a P3-AEW hangar in Corpus Christie, Texas. **Pages 4748, 4750**

Stevens (for Hutchison) Amendment No. 2152, to provide funds to rectify damages caused by windstorms in Texas. **Page 4753**

Stevens (for Boxer) Amendment No. 2153, to provide additional funds for construction programs of the Department of the Interior to repair damage caused by floods and other natural disasters. **Page 4753**

Stevens (for Dorgan) Amendment No. 2154, to provide emergency Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB's) remediation in schools and other facilities at the Standing Rock Sioux Reservation. **Page 4753**

Robb Amendment No. 2135, to reform agricultural credit programs of the Department of Agriculture. **Pages 4757, 4759**

By 84 yeas to 16 nays (Vote No. 44), McConnell Modified Amendment No. 2100, to provide supplemental appropriations for the International Monetary Fund for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998. **Pages 4750, 4754**

Stevens (for Lautenberg) Amendment No. 2156, to allocate certain funds to the State of New Jersey to carry out housing opportunities for persons with AIDS. **Page 4763**

Murkowski Amendment No. 2157, to cancel the sale of oil from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve. **Page 4764**

Stevens (for Byrd) Amendment No. 2159, to provide assistance to employees of the Farm Service Agency of the Department of Agriculture. **Page 4766**

Bingaman/Hollings Amendment No. 2160, to provide for school security training and technology, and for local school security programs. **Page 4767**

Cochran Amendment No. 2161, to make certain technical corrections. **Page 4768**

Stevens (for D'Amato) Amendment No. 2163, relating to the use of Floyd Bennett Field in New York City by the New York City Police Department. **Page 4780**

Stevens (for Nickles) Amendment No. 2120, to strike certain funding for the Health Care Financing Administration. **Page 4774**

Rejected:

Kennedy Amendment No. 2164 (to the language proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 2120), in the nature of a substitute. (By 51 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 45), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Page 4782**

Withdrawn:

Bumpers Amendment No. 2134, to express the sense of the Senate that of the rescissions, if any, which Congress makes to offset appropriations made for emergency items in the Fiscal Year 1998 supplemental appropriations bill, defense spending should be rescinded to offset increases in spending for defense programs. **Page 4754**

Torricelli/Lautenberg Amendment No. 2155, to express the sense of the Senate that the Attorney General should not accept a settlement in proceedings to recover costs incurred in the cleanup of the Wayne Interim Storage Site, Wayne, New Jersey, unless the settlement recaptures a substantial portion of the costs incurred by the taxpayer. **Page 4761**

Cleland Amendment No. 2158, to authorize the establishment of a disaster mitigation pilot program in the Small Business Administration. **Page 4766**

Baucus/Burns Amendment No. 2162, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to extend the term of a marketing assistance loan made to producers on a farm for any loan commodity until September 30, 1998. **Page 4769**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that when the Senate receives the House companion measure, all after the enacting clause be stricken and the text of S. 1768, as amended, be substituted in lieu thereof and, after passage, the Senate insist on its amendment and request a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate. **Page 4786**

Also, a further consent agreement was reached providing that when the Senate receives the House companion measure making supplemental appropriations for the International Monetary Fund for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, that all after the enacting clause be stricken and the text of the IMF Title of S. 1768 be substituted in lieu thereof and, after passage, the Senate

insist on its amendment and request a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate. **Page 4786**

Subsequently, S. 1728 was returned to the Senate Calendar. **Page 4786**

Education Savings Act for Public and Private Schools—Cloture Vote: By 58 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. 46), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to close further debate on H.R. 2646, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, and to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts. **Page 4786**

A fifth motion was entered to close further debate on the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion would occur on Monday, March 30, 1998. **Page 4792**

Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the nomination of M. Margaret McKeown, of Washington, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, on Friday, March 27, 1998, with a vote to occur thereon. **Page 4848**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

- 1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.
- 1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.
- Routine lists in the Foreign Service.

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—47) **Pages 4761, 4784, 4791, 4814**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 8:08 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Friday, March 27, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record, on page 4848.)

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—BUREAU OF RECLAMATION/CORPS OF ENGINEERS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999, after receiving testimony in behalf of funds for the Bureau of Reclamation from Patricia J. Beneke, Assistant Secretary for Water and Science, and Eluid L. Martinez, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, both of the Department of the Interior; and in behalf of funds for the Army Corps of Engineers from John H. Zirschky, Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works); Lt. Gen. Joe N. Ballard, Chief of Engineers, Army Corps of Engineers; and Maj. Gen. Russell L. Fuhrman, Director of Civil Works, United States Army.

APPROPRIATIONS—NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS/HUMANITIES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the Interior and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999, receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respective activities from Kathryn O'Leary Higgins, Acting Chairman, and Scott Shanklin-Peterson, Senior Deputy Chairman, both of the National Endowment for the Arts; and Bill Ferris, Chairman, National Endowment for the Humanities.

Subcommittee will meet again on Wednesday, April 1.

APPROPRIATIONS—NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL POLICY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the Treasury and General Government held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Office of National Drug Control Policy, receiving testimony from Barry R. McCaffrey, Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee resumed hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for national defense and the future years defense program, focusing on Department of Energy atomic energy defense activities, receiving testimony from Federico F. Peña, Secretary of Energy.

Committee recessed subject to call.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces resumed hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on the domestic emergency response program and support to the interagency preparedness efforts, including the federal response plan and the city training program, receiving

ing testimony from H. Allen Holmes, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Special Operations and Low Intensity Conflict; Maj. Gen. Edward Soriano, USA, Director, Military Support Headquarters, and Maj. Gen. George E. Friel, USA, Commander, Chemical and Biological Defense Command, both of the Department of the Army; and Lisa Gordon-Hagerty, Director, Office of Emergency Response, Department of Energy.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, March 31.

CREDIT UNION MEMBERSHIP

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee held hearings to examine the implications of the recent Supreme Court decision concerning credit union membership, and proposed legislation to amend the Federal Credit Union Act to clarify existing law and ratify the longstanding policy of the National Credit Union Administration Board with regard to field of membership of Federal credit unions, receiving testimony from John D. Hawke, Jr., Under Secretary for Domestic Finance, and Richard S. Carnell, Assistant Secretary for Financial Institutions, both of the Department of the Treasury; Norman E. D'Amours, Chairman, and Yolanda Townsend Wheat and Dennis Dollar, both Board Members, all of the National Credit Union Administration; and Bruce O. Jolly, Jr., Shook, Hardy & Bacon, Washington, D.C.

Hearings continue on Thursday, April 2.

AMERICAN FISHERIES ACT

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Oceans and Fisheries concluded hearings on S. 1221, to amend title 46 of the United States Code to prevent foreign ownership and control of United States flag vessels employed in the fisheries in the navigable waters and exclusive economic zone of the United States, and to prevent the issuance of fishery endorsements to certain vessels, after receiving testimony from Senator Murkowski; David Evans, Deputy Assistant Administrator, National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce; Rear Adm. Robert C. North, Assistant Commandant for Marine Safety and Environmental Protection, United States Coast Guard, Department of Commerce; Daniel J. Whittle, Environmental Defense Fund, Raleigh, North Carolina; Niaz Dorry, Greenpeace, and Alfred G. King, Jr., King Sons, Inc., both of Gloucester, Massachusetts; Jim Kendall, New Bedford Seafood Coalition, New Bedford, Massachusetts; Michael Love, Atlantic Star, North Yarmouth, Maine; Charles H. Bundrant, Trident Seafoods Corporation, Cary Swasand, Aleutian Spray Fisheries, Alec Brindle, Alyeska Seafoods Inc., and Paul MacGregor, At-Sea Processors Association, all of Seattle, Washington; Frank Bohannon, United Catcher Boats, Sun River, Oregon; and Jeff Hendricks, Alaska Ocean Seafood Limited Partnership, Anacortes, Washington.

AUTHORIZATION—SUPERFUND

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 8, authorizing funds for programs of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Liability, and Compensation Act (Superfund), with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

H.R. 927, to amend title 28, United States Code, to provide for appointment of United States marshals by the Attorney General, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Kermit Lipez, of Maine, to be United States Circuit Judge for the First Circuit, Robert T. Dawson, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Arkansas, Garr M. King, to be United States District Judge for the District of Oregon, Johnnie B. Rawlinson, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nevada, and Gregory Moneta Sleet, to be United States District Judge for the District of Delaware.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee will meet again on Wednesday, April 1.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 13 public bills, H.R. 3558–3570; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 251–253, and H. Res. 398–399, were introduced. **Page 4943**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 2786, to authorize additional appropriations for the Department of Defense for ballistic missile defenses and other measures to counter the emerging threat posed to the United States and its allies in the Middle East and Persian Gulf region by the development and deployment of ballistic missiles by Iran (H. Rept. 105–468 Part 1).

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Personal Privilege: Representative Shuster rose to a point of personal privilege and was recognized for 1 hour.

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Small Business Paperwork Reduction Act: The House passed H.R. 3310, to amend chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code, for the purpose of facilitating compliance by small businesses with certain Federal paperwork requirements, and to establish a task force to exam-

ine the feasibility of streamlining paperwork requirements applicable to small businesses by a recorded vote of 267 ayes to 140 noes, Roll No. 74. Agreed to amend the title. **Page 4860**

Agreed to the McIntosh amendment that requires the States, in the enforcement of a Federal program, to comply with provisions that allow the suspension of a civil fine for a first-time violation of a paperwork requirement by a small business (agreed to by a recorded vote of 224 ayes to 179 noes, Roll No. 73). **Pages 4876, 4878**

Rejected the Kucinich amendment that sought to establish a policy or program for eliminating, delaying, and reducing civil fines for first-time violations by small entities (rejected by a recorded vote of 183 ayes to 221 noes, Roll No. 72). **Pages 4870, 4877**

Earlier, agreed to H. Res. 396, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by a voice vote. **Page 4857**

Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act: The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 1757, to consolidate international affairs agencies, to authorize appropriations for the Department of State and related agencies for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, to ensure that the enlargement of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) proceeds in a manner consistent with United States interests, to strengthen relations between the United States and Russia, and to preserve the prerogatives of the Congress with respect to certain arms control agreements. **Page 4900**

Earlier, agreed to H. Res. 385, the rule that waived points of order against the conference report bill by a yea and nay vote of 234 yeas to 172 nays, Roll No. 75. **Page 4880**

Fairness for Small Business and Employees Act: The House passed H.R. 3246, to assist small businesses and labor organizations in defending themselves against government bureaucracy; to ensure that employees entitled to reinstatement get their jobs back quickly; to protect the right of employers to have a hearing to present their case in certain representation cases; and to prevent the use of the National Labor Relations Act for the purpose of disrupting or inflicting economic harm on employers by a recorded vote of 202 ayes to 200 noes, Roll No. 78. **Page 4909**

Agreed to the Goodling amendment that clarifies that a bona fide employee has all of the rights provided by the National Labor Relations Act including the right to form, join, or assist labor organizations, to bargain collectively through representatives, and to engage in other activities for the purpose of collective bargaining or mutual aid (agreed to by a recorded vote of 398 ayes with none voting "no", Roll No. 77). **Page 4919**

Earlier, agreed to H. Res. 393, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by a yea and nay vote of 220 yeas to 185 nays, Roll No. 76. **Page 4900**

Forest Recovery and Protection Act: Agreed by unanimous consent that H. Res. 394, be considered as adopted and that during consideration of H.R. 2515, in the Committee of the Whole pursuant to that resolution, that the amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order as original text be considered as read; and after general debate the bill be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule for a period not to extend beyond 1:30 p.m. on Friday, March 27, 1998. **Page 4923**

Late Reports: The Committee on Appropriations received permission to have until midnight on Friday, March 27, 1998 to file two privileged reports on bills making Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for Fiscal Year 1998 and making Supplemental Appropriations for Fiscal Year 1998. **Page 4908**

Authority to Add Cosponsors: Agreed that Representative Capps be authorized to sign and submit requests to add co-sponsors to H.R. 2009, Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) Research, Treatment, and Assistance Act of 1997. **Page 4924**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 4851.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 4944.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea and nay votes and five recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 4877, 4878, 4879, 4887, 4908, 4922, and 4923. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:17 p.m.

Committee Meetings

USDA'S FEDERAL MILK MARKETING ORDER REFORM

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry held a hearing to review the USDA's Federal Milk Marketing Order Reform. Testimony was heard from Enrique E. Figueroa, Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA; Ben Brancel, Secretary of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, State of Wisconsin; and public witnesses.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary held a hearing on State and Local Law Enforcement. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Joe Brann, Director, Cops Program; Laurie Robinson, Assistant Attorney General, Office of Justice Programs; and Shay Bilchik, Administrator, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

**ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT
APPROPRIATIONS**

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development held a hearing on the Appalachian Regional Commission. Testimony was heard from Jesse L. White, Jr., Federal Co-Chair, Appalachian Regional Commission; and Cecil H. Underwood, Governor, State of West Virginia.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, the Committee on the Budget and the Committee on Resources held a joint oversight hearing on the Forest Service. Testimony was heard from Barry T. Hill, Associate Director, Energy, Resources and Science Issues, GAO; and the following officials of the USDA: Roger C. Viadero, Inspector General; and Michael Dombeck, Chief, Forest Service.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the Interior held a hearing on Department of Energy Conservation. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: Dan W. Reicher, Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy; and Patricia Fry Godley, Assistant Secretary, Fossil Energy.

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on Elementary and Secondary Education; Bilingual Education and Minority Languages Affairs, Howard University and on Special Institutions for the Disabled. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Education; Gerald N. Tirozzi, Assistant Secretary, Elementary and Secondary Education; Delia Pompa, Director, Office of Bilingual Education and Minority Languages Affairs; Judith E. Heumann, Assistant Secretary, Special Education and Rehabilitative Services; and H. Patrick Swygert, President, Howard University.

**VA-HUD-INDEPENDENT AGENCIES
APPROPRIATIONS**

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies held a hearing on the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Testimony was heard from Andrew M. Cuomo, Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

CREDIT UNION MEMBERSHIP ACCESS ACT

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Ordered reported amended H.R. 1151, Credit Union Membership Access Act.

SUPERFUND REFORM ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials held a hearing on H.R. 3000, the

Superfund Reform Act. Testimony was heard from James E. Trobaugh, Mayor, Kokomo, State of Indiana; and public witnesses.

NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN MEDICAL RESEARCH

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment held a hearing on New Developments in Medical Research: NIH and Patient Groups. Testimony was heard from Representatives Tauzin, Johnson of Connecticut, Fox, Meek of Florida, DeFazio, Porter and Walsh; Harold E. Varmus, M.D., Director, NIH, Department of Health and Human Services; former Representative Raymond J. McGrath of New York; Muhammad Ali, National Spokesman, National Parkinson Foundation; and public witnesses.

TEAMSTERS—FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Financial Affairs of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—2000 CENSUS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on the Census held a hearing on Oversight of the 2000 Census: Putting the Dress Rehearsals in Perspective. Testimony was heard from L. Nye Stevens, Director, Federal Management and Workforce Issues, GAO; and the following officials of the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce: James F. Holmes, Acting Director, John H. Thompson, Associate Director, Decennial Census; and Paula J. Schneider, Principal Associate Director, Programs.

**LONG TERM CARE INSURANCE—EMPLOYEE
BENEFIT**

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Civil Service held a hearing on Long Term Care Insurance as an Employee Benefit. Testimony was heard from William Flynn, III, Associate Director, Retirement and Insurance Services, OPM; Bob Williams, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Long Term Care and Disability Policy, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held a hearing on the following: the Statistical Consolidation Act of 1998; and S. 1404, Federal Statistical System Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from L. Nye Stevens, Director, Federal Management and Workforce Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL STRATEGY

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Security, International Affairs, and Criminal Justice held a oversight hearing on the

1998 National Drug Control Strategy. Testimony was heard from Barry R. McCaffrey, Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy.

COLOMBIA—ILLICIT DRUGS TRAFFICKING

Committee on International Relations: Ordered reported H.Res. 398, urging the President to expeditiously procure and provide three UH-60L Blackhawk utility helicopters to the Colombian National Police solely for the purpose of assisting the Colombian National Police to perform their responsibilities to reduce and eliminate the production of illicit drugs in Colombia and the trafficking of such illicit drugs, including the trafficking of drugs such as heroin and cocaine to the United States.

U.S. ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS—RUSSIA, UKRAINE AND NEW INDEPENDENT STATES

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing to review U.S. Assistance Programs to Russia, the Ukraine and the New Independent States. Testimony was heard from Ambassador Richard Morningstar, Special Advisor to the President and the Secretary of State on Assistance to the New Independent States and Coordinator of U.S. Assistance to the New Independent States, Department of State; and Don Pressley, Acting Assistant Administrator, Europe and the New Independent States, AID, U.S. International Development Cooperation Agency.

OVERSIGHT—RELIGIOUS FREEDOM—FEDERAL PROTECTION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution concluded oversight hearings on the Need for Federal Protection of Religious Freedom after *Boerne v. Flores*, II. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS PRIVACY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property held an oversight hearing on privacy in electronic communications. Testimony was heard from Ambassador David Aaron, Under Secretary, International Trade, Department of Commerce; David Medine, Associate Director, Credit Practices, Bureau of Consumer Protection, FTC; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime approved for full Committee action the following: H.R. 2925, Deadbeat Parents Punishment Act of 1997; and the Care for Police Survivors Act of 1998.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on the following Controlled Substances Trafficking Prohibition Act; and H.R. 2070, Correction Officers Health and Safety Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Representative Chabot; Wesley S. Windle, Program Officer, Passenger Operations Division, U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on National Security: Concluded hearings on the fiscal year 1999 National Defense authorization request. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Robert M. Walker, Acting Secretary, Army; John H. Dalton, Secretary of the Navy; and F. Whitten Peters, Acting Secretary, Air Force.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands held a hearing on the following bills; H.R. 2538, to establish a Presidential commission to determine the validity of certain land claims arising out of the Treaty of Guadalupe-Hidalgo of 1848 involving the descendants of persons who were Mexican citizens at the time of the Treaty; H.R. 2776, to amend the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the establishment of the Morristown National Historical Park in the State of New Jersey, and for other purposes" to authorize the acquisition of property known as the Warren property; and H.R. 3047, to authorize expansion of Fort Davis National Historic Site in Fort Davis, Texas, by 16 acres. Testimony was heard from Representatives Frelinghuysen, Bonilla and Redmond; Denis Galvin, Deputy Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

SONNY BONO MEMORIAL SALTON SEA RECLAMATION ACT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3267, Sonny Bono Memorial Salton Sea Reclamation Act.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Technology approved for full Committee action amended the following bills: H.R. 3007, Commission on the Advancement of Women in Science, Engineering, and Technology Development Act; and H.R. 2544, Technology Transfer Commercialization Act of 1997.

URBAN EDUCATION

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Empowerment held a hearing on urban education. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

RAIL SAFETY REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Railroads held a hearing on Rail Safety Reauthorization: Federal Railroad Administration Resources Requirements. Testimony was heard from Jolene Molitoris, Administrator, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation.

NATIONAL DROUGHT POLICY ACT; DISASTER ASSISTANCE—FEDERAL COST

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment ap-

proved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3035, National Drought Policy Act of 1997.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on the Federal Cost of Disaster Assistance. Testimony was heard from James L. Witt, Director, FEMA; Judy A. England-Joseph, Director, Housing and Community Development Issues, GAO; Albert R. Capellini, Mayor, Deerfield Beach, State of Florida; Gavin J. Donohue, Senior Deputy Commissioner, Department of Environmental Conservation, State of New York; and public witnesses.

VA BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION— GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCES AND RESULTS ACT PRINCIPLES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Benefits held a hearing on Government Performances and Results Act (GPRA) principles at the Veterans Benefits Administration. Testimony was heard from Cynthia M. Fagnoni, Associate Director, Veterans Affairs and Military Health Care Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, GAO; and Joseph Thompson, Under Secretary, Benefits, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

BUILDING EFFICIENT SURFACE TRANSPORTATION AND EQUITY ACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported amended H.R. 2400, Building Efficient Surface Transportation and Equity Act of 1997.

ANALYSIS AND PRODUCTION ISSUES

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Analysis and Production Issues. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

HEAD START

Joint Hearings: Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources' Subcommittee on Children and Families held joint hearings with the House Committee on Education and the Workforce's Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth and Families on proposed legislation authorizing funds through fiscal year 2002 for the Head Start program, focusing on Head Start's impact on children and their families, receiving testimony from Olivia Golden, Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services for Children and Families; Carlotta C. Joyner, Director, Education and Employment Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; Robert G. St. Pierre, Abt Associates, Inc., Cambridge, Massachusetts; Sarah M. Greene, National Head Start Association, and Stanley I. Greenspan, George Washington University Medical School, both of Washington, D.C.; E.D. Hirsch, Jr., University of Virginia, Charlottesville;

Elizabeth Kares, School District of Lee County, Ft. Meyers, Florida; and Jean Malachi, Stamford, Connecticut.

Hearings will continue on Thursday, April 23.

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Six bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1873–1878. **Page 4991**

Congressional Budget: Senate began consideration of S. Con. Res. 86, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal years 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, and 2003 and revising the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1998, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Pending:

Murray Amendment No. 2165, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund to reduce class size by hiring 100,000 teachers. **Page 4975**

A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the resolution.

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Senate will continue consideration of the resolution on Monday, March 30, 1998.

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed for the following treaty:

Treaty with Venezuela on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters. (Treaty Doc. 105–38)

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and was ordered to be printed. **Page 5000**

Education Savings Act for Public and Private Schools—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the further consideration of H.R. 2646, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, and to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts, and amendments to be proposed thereto, on Monday, April 20, 1998. **Page 5001**

Also, a further consent agreement was reached providing that upon final passage of the bill, the Senate insist on its amendments, request a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate. **Page 5001**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 80 yeas to 11 nays (Vote No. 48 EX), M. Margaret McKeown, of Washington, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit. **Pages 4964, 5002**

Edward F. Shea, of Washington, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington. **Pages 4964, 5002**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—48) **Page 4964**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 2:53 p.m., until 12 noon, on Monday, March 30, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record, on page 5002.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 8 public bills, H.R. 3571–3578; and 1 resolution, and H. Res. 400 were introduced. **Page 5054**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 3579, making Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for Fiscal Year 1998 (H. Rept. 105–469);

H.R. 3580, making Supplemental Appropriations for Fiscal Year 1998 (H. Rept. 105–470);

Supplemental report on H.R. 2400, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs (H. Rept. 105–467, Part 2); and

H.R. 2400, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs (H. Rept. 105–467, Part 3). **Page 5054**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Emerson to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 5003**

Forest Recovery and Protection Act: The House failed to pass H.R. 2515, to address the declining health of forests on Federal lands in the United States through a program of recovery and protection consistent with the requirements of existing public land management and environmental laws, to establish a program to inventory, monitor, and analyze public and private forests and their

resources by a recorded vote of 181 yeas to 201 nays, Roll No. 80. **Page 5005**

Agreed To:

The Smith of Oregon amendment that strikes Section 11, requiring a program to inventory and analyze the public and private forests in the United States; and **Page 5018**

The Boehlert amendment to the Smith of Oregon amendment that prohibits the use of any funds to construct roads (agreed to by a recorded vote of 200 yeas to 187 nays, Roll No. 79). **Page 5028**

Rejected the Smith of Oregon amendment, as amended, that sought to prohibit the use of any funds to construct roads. **Page 5028**

Withdrawn:

The Bass amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to include a Northern Forest Stewardship Act section to implement the Northern Forest Lands Council's vision of the Northern Forest. **Page 5020**

On March 26, agreed by unanimous consent that H. Res. 394, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill, be considered as adopted; the amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order as original text be considered as read; and after general debate the bill be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule for a period not to extend beyond 1:30 p.m. on Friday, March 27, 1998. Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute, consisting of the text of H.R. 3530, was considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. **Page 4923**

Committee Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Baldacci wherein he resigned from the Committee on Small Business. **Page 5037**

Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 400 electing Representative Capps to the Committees on International Relations and Science and Representatives Baldacci and Berry to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. **Page 5037**

Commemorative Coin Program: The House passed H.R. 3301, to amend chapter 51 of title 31, United States Code, to allow the Secretary of the Treasury greater discretion with regard to the placement of the required inscriptions on quarter dollars issued under the 50 States Commemorative Coin Program. **Page 5040**

Legislative Program: The Majority leader announced the Legislative Program for the week of March 30. **Page 5037**

Meeting Hour—March 30: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, March 30 for morning hour debate. **Page 5043**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed that the business in order under the calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday, April 1. **Page 5043**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 5035 and 5036. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke the National Institute of General Medical Services, the Office of AIDS Research; and the Office of the Director-NIH; Building and Facilities. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Audrey S. Penn, M.D., Acting Director, National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke; Marvin Cassman, M.D., Director, National Institute of General Medical Services; Jack Whitescarver, M.D., Acting Director, Office of AIDS Research; and Harold Varmus, M.D., Director, NIH.

MORTGAGE FINANCE SYSTEM MORTGAGE BROKERS ROLE

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity held a hearing on the Role of Mortgage Brokers in the Mortgage Finance System. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2869, to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 to exempt safety and health assessments, audits, and reviews conducted by or for an employer from enforcement action under such Act; H.R. 2871, to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 to provide for the establishment of advisory panels for the Secretary of Labor; H.R. 2873, to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970; H.R. 2879, to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970; H.R. 2661, Sound Scientific Practices Act; and H.R. 3519, to require the Occupational Safety and Health Administration to recognize that electronic forms of providing MSDSs provide the same level of access to information as paper copies. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MANDATES INFORMATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Held a hearing on H.R. 3534, Mandates Information Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Representatives Portman and Condit; and public witnesses.

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Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Four bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1879–1882 and S. Res. 201 and 202. **Page 5100**

Measures Passed:

Extension of Reporting Deadline: Committee on Intelligence was discharged from further consideration of S. 1751, to extend the deadline for submission of a report by the Commission to Assess the Organization of the Federal Government to Combat the Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction, and the bill was then passed. **Page 5115**

Authorization of Representation by Senate Legal Counsel: Senate agreed to S. Res. 202, to authorize representation by Senate Legal Counsel. **Page 5115**

Congressional Budget: Senate resumed consideration of S. Con. Res. 86, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal years 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, and 2003 and revising the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1998, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Page 5068**

Pending:

Murray Amendment No. 2165, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund to reduce class size by hiring 100,000 teachers. **Page 5068**

Sessions/Enzi Amendment No. 2166, to express the sense of Congress that the Federal Government should acknowledge the importance of at-home parents and should not discriminate against families who forego a second income in order for a mother or father to be at home with their children. **Pages 5071, 5093**

Gregg Amendment No. 2167, to express the sense of the Senate that this resolution assumes that no immunity from liability will be provided to any manufacturer of a tobacco product. **Page 5077**

Gregg/Conrad Amendment No. 2168 (to Amendment No. 2167), of a perfecting nature. **Page 5082**

Kyl Amendment No. 2169, to express the sense of the Congress regarding freedom of health care choice for medicare seniors. **Page 5082**

Conrad (for Dodd) Amendment No. 2173, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund for child care improvements. **Page 5090**

Conrad/Lautenberg/Bingaman/Reed Amendment No. 2174, to ensure that the tobacco reserve fund in the resolution protects public health. **Page 5090**

Conrad (for Moseley-Braun) Amendment No. 2175, to express the sense of the Senate regarding elementary and secondary school modernization and construction.

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Conrad (for Boxer) Amendment No. 2176, to increase Function 500 discretionary budget authority and outlays to accommodate an initiative promoting after-school education and safety.

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Brownback Amendment No. 2177, to express the sense of the Senate regarding economic growth, Social Security, and Government efficiency.

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Burns Amendment No. 2178, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the use of agricultural trade programs to promote the export of United States agricultural commodities and products.

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A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for further consideration of Amendment No. 2166, listed above, on Tuesday, March 31, 1998, with a vote to occur thereon.

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Messages From the House:

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon, and adjourned at 6:33 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, March 31, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record, on page 5116.)

Committee Meetings

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Elaine D. Kaplan, of the District of Columbia, to be Special Counsel, Office of Special Counsel, and Ruth Y. Goldway, of California, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Rate Commission, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 21 public bills, H.R. 3581–3601; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 254–255, and H. Res. 401 were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 2574, to consolidate certain mineral interests in the National Grasslands in Billings County, North Dakota, through the exchange of Federal and private mineral interests to enhance land management capabilities and environmental and wildlife protection (H. Rept. 105–471);

H.R. 1151, to amend the Federal Credit Union Act to clarify existing law and ratify the longstanding policy of the National Credit Union Administration Board with regard to field of membership of Federal credit unions, amended (H. Rept. 105–472);

H. Res. 402, providing for consideration of H.R. 3579, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998 (H. Rept. 105–473); and

H. Res. 403, providing for consideration of H.R. 10, to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, and other financial service providers (H. Rept. 105–474).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Petri to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 1:02 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Casper, Wyoming National Historic Trails Interpretive Center: H.R. 2186, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance to the National Historic Trails Interpretive Center in Casper, Wyoming;

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Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Reauthorization Act: H.R. 3113, to reauthorize the Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act of 1994;

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Consolidation of Mineral Interests in Billings County, North Dakota: S. 750, to consolidate certain mineral interests in the National Grasslands in Billings County, North Dakota, through the exchange of Federal and private mineral interests to enhance land management capabilities and environmental and wildlife protection—clearing the measure for the President;

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Blackhawk Helicopters for Colombian National Police: H.R. 398, amended, urging the President to expeditiously procure and provide three UH–60L Blackhawk utility helicopters to the Colombian National Police solely for the purpose of assisting the Colombian National Police to perform their responsibilities to reduce and eliminate the production of illicit drugs in Colombia and the trafficking of such illicit drugs, including the trafficking of drugs such as heroin and cocaine to the United States. Agreed to amend the title;

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Iran Missile Protection Act: H.R. 2786, amended, to authorize additional appropriations for the Department of

Defense for ballistic missile defenses and other measures to counter the emerging threat posed to the United States and its allies in the Middle East and Persian Gulf region by the development and deployment of ballistic missiles by Iran. Agreed to amend the title; **Page 5137**

Illegal Foreign Contributions Act: H.R. 34, amended, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to prohibit individuals who are not citizens of the United States from making contributions or expenditures in connection with an election for Federal office (passed by yeas and nays vote of 369 yeas to 43 nays with 1 voting present, Roll No. 82); **Pages 5156, 5182**

Campaign Reporting and Disclosure Act: H.R. 3582, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to expedite the reporting of information to the Federal Election Commission, to expand the type of information required to be reported to the Commission, to promote the effective enforcement of campaign laws by the Commission (passed by a yeas and nays vote of 405 yeas to 6 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 84). **Pages 5171, 5184**

Suspensions Failed: The House failed suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Campaign Reform and Election Integrity Act of 1998: H.R. 3581, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to reform the financing of campaigns for election for Federal office (failed to pass by a yeas and nays vote of 74 yeas to 337 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 81); and **Pages 5143, 5182**

Paycheck Protection Act: H.R. 2608, to protect individuals from having money involuntarily collected and used for political activities by a corporation or labor organization (failed to pass by a yeas and nays vote of 166 yeas to 246 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 83). **Pages 5165, 5183**

Recess: The House recessed at 3:34 p.m. and reconvened at 6:00 p.m. **Page 5137**

Funeral Committee: Pursuant to H.Res. 395, the Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representatives Skeen, Gingrich, Redmond, Sensenbrenner, Johnson of Connecticut, Barton of Texas, Gallegly, McNulty, Paxon, Rohrabacher, Mica, Ehlers, Shadegg, and Campbell to the Committee to attend the funeral of the late Honorable Steven Schiff. **Page 5137**

Committee Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Berry wherein he resigned from the Committee on Small Business. **Page 5185**

Recess: The House recessed at 11:12 p.m. and reconvened at 12:48. **Page 5188**

Amendments: Amendment ordered printed pursuant to the rule appears on page 5195.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yeas and nays votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and ap-

pear on pages 5181, 5182, and 5183. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 12:50 a.m. on Tuesday, March 31.

Committee Meetings

OVERSIGHT—USDA DEBT COLLECTION

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held an oversight hearing on USDA Debt Collection. Testimony was heard from Linda Calbom, Director, Civil Audits, GAO; and the following officials of the USDA: Sally Thompson, Chief Financial Officer; Keith Kelly, Administrator, Farm Service Agency; Wally B. Beyer, Administrator, Rural Utilities Service; and Jan E. Shadburn, Administrator, Rural Housing Service.

WTO-DISPUTE SETTLEMENT BODY

Committee on International Relations and Oversight: Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade held a hearing on WTO-Dispute Settlement Body. Testimony was heard from Alan Larson, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs, Department of State; Susan G. Esserman, General Counsel, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative; and public witnesses.

EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a recorded vote of 8 to 4, a modified closed rule providing one hour of general debate on H.R. 3579, Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for fiscal year 1998 equally divided and controlled between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with clause 2(1)(6) of rule XI (requiring a three-day layover of the committee report), clause 7 of rule XXI (requiring the three-day availability of relevant printed hearings and reports on general appropriations bills), or section 306 of the Budget Act of 1974 (prohibiting consideration of legislation within the jurisdiction of the Budget Committee unless reported by that committee). The rule provides an additional 30 minutes of debate on the provision of the bill (Title III) relating to the prohibition on the use of funds for military operations against Iraq equally divided between Mr. Skaggs and an opponent. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule provides that the amendments printed in part 1 of the Rules Committee report shall be considered as adopted. The rule waives points of order against the bill, as amended, for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations or legislative provisions in a general appropriations bill) or clause 6 of rule XXI (prohibiting reappropriations). The rule makes in order the amendment printed

in part 2 of the Rules Committee report and provides that such amendment may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question. All points of order are waived against the amendment. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Livingston, Neumann, Tiahrt, Chambliss, Coburn, Kim, Obey, Skaggs, Pelosi, Frank of Massachusetts, Clayton, Klink, Bishop, and Jackson-Lee of Texas.

FINANCIAL SERVICES ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule on H.R. 10, Financial Services Act of 1997, providing two hours of general debate equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Banking and Financial Services and one hour equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Commerce. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in part 1 of the report of the Committee on Rules be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and that it shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule provides that no amendment to the amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be in order except those printed in part 2 of the Rules Committee report, which may only be offered in the order printed in the report, may only be offered by the Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment except as specified in the report, and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. All points of order are waived against the amendments printed in the report. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone recorded votes and reduce to five minutes the voting time on any postponed question, provided that the voting time on the first in any series of questions is not less than fifteen minutes. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Leach, Representatives McCollum, Roukema, Baker, Bachus, Campbell, Metcalf, Sessions, Oxley, LaFalce, Vento, Barrett of Wisconsin, Bentsen, Dingell, and Clyburn.

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Eleven bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1883–1893 and S. Res. 203–205. **Page 5361**

Measures Passed:

Emergency Supplemental Appropriations: Pursuant to the order of March 26, 1998, Senate passed H.R. 3579, making emergency supplemental appropriations for recovery from natural disasters, and for overseas peacekeeping efforts, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 1768, Senate companion measure, as passed by the Senate. **Page 5336**

The Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Stevens, Cochran, Specter, Domenici, Bond, Gorton, McConnell, Burns, Shelby, Gregg, Bennett, Campbell, Craig, Faircloth, Hutchison, Byrd, Inouye, Hollings, Leahy, Bumpers, Lautenberg, Harkin, Mikulski, Reid, Kohl, Murray, Dorgan, and Boxer. **Page 5336**

Recognizing the Tennessee Lady Volunteers: Senate agreed to S. Res. 203, expressing the sense of the Senate that the University of Tennessee Lady Volunteers basketball team is the new dynasty in collegiate women's basketball. **Page 5336**

Commending the University of Kentucky Basketball Team: Senate agreed to S. Res. 204, to commend and congratulate the University of Kentucky on its men's basketball team winning its seventh National Collegiate Athletic Association championship. **Page 5337**

Congressional Budget: Senate resumed consideration of S. Con. Res. 86, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal years 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, and 2003 and revising the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1998, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 5289, 5338**

Adopted:

By a unanimous vote of 96 yeas (Vote No. 49), Sessions/Enzi Amendment No. 2166, to express the sense of Congress that the Federal Government should acknowledge the importance of at-home parents and should not discriminate against families who forego a second income in order for a mother or father to be at home with their children. **Page 5289**

Gregg Amendment No. 2167, to express the sense of the Senate that this resolution assumes that no immunity

from liability will be provided to any manufacturer of a tobacco product. **Page 5318**

By 79 yeas to 19 nays (Vote No. 51), Gregg/Conrad Amendment No. 2168 (to Amendment No. 2167), of a perfecting nature. **Page 5318**

Pending:

Kyl Amendment No. 2169, to express the sense of the Congress regarding freedom of health care choice for medicare seniors. **Page 5322**

Conrad/Lautenberg/Bingaman/Reed Amendment No. 2174, to ensure that the tobacco reserve fund in the resolution protects public health. **Page 5341**

Conrad (for Moseley-Braun) Amendment No. 2175, to express the sense of the Senate regarding elementary and secondary school modernization and construction. **Page 5289**

Conrad (for Boxer) Modified Amendment No. 2176, to increase Function 500 discretionary budget authority and outlays to accommodate an initiative promoting after-school education and safety. **Page 5322**

Brownback Amendment No. 2177, to express the sense of the Senate regarding economic growth, Social Security, and Government efficiency. **Page 5289**

Burns Amendment No. 2178, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the use of agricultural trade programs to promote the export of United States agricultural commodities and products. **Page 5289**

Smith (Oregon) Amendment No. 2179, to express the sense of the Senate on Social Security taxes. **Page 5293**

Smith (Oregon) Amendment No. 2180, to express the sense of the Senate with respect to the use of marijuana for medicinal purpose. **Pages 5294, 5323**

Smith (Oregon) Amendment No. 2181, to express the sense of the Senate concerning increases in the prices of tobacco products. **Page 5294**

Kennedy Amendment No. 2183, to express the sense of the Senate concerning the enactment of a patient's bill of rights. **Page 5294**

Kennedy Amendment No. 2184, to increase Function 500 discretionary budget authority and outlays to support innovative education reform efforts in urban and rural school districts. **Page 5294**

Kennedy Amendment No. 2185, to express the sense of the Congress regarding additional budget authority for the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. **Page 5294**

Wellstone Modified Amendment No. 2186, to provide a reserve fund to pay for increased Pell Grants by reducing or eliminating corporate welfare tax expenditures. **Pages 5308, 5322**

Wellstone/Moynihan Amendment No. 2187, to express the sense of the Senate regarding a report of the Secretary of Health and Human Services evaluating the outcomes of welfare reform. **Page 5308**

Wellstone Modified Amendment No. 2188, to provide additional funds for medical care for veterans. **Pages 5308, 5322**

Thurmond Amendment No. 2191, to clarify outlay levels for major functional categories. **Page 5320**

Thurmond Amendment No. 2192, to clarify outlay levels for national defense. **Page 5320**

Lautenberg (for Hollings) Amendment No. 2193, to provide a supermajority point of order against any change in the off-budget status of Social Security. **Page 5321**

Lautenberg Amendment No. 2194, to express the sense of the Senate to ensure that the tobacco reserve fund in the resolution may be used to protect the public health. **Page 5321**

Lautenberg Amendment No. 2195, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund for environmental and natural resources. **Page 5321**

Lautenberg (for Kohl/Reid) Amendment No. 2204, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the establishment of a national background check system for long-term care workers. **Page 5335**

Lautenberg (for Durbin/Chafee) Amendment No. 2205, to express the sense of Congress regarding the right to affordable, high-quality health care for seniors. **Page 5335**

Reid/Bryan Amendment No. 2206, to express the sense of the Senate that the landowner incentive program included in the Endangered Species Recovery Act should be financed from a dedicated source of funding and that public lands should not be sold to fund the landowner incentive program of the Endangered Species Recovery Act. **Page 5338**

Domenici (for Roth) Amendment No. 2209, to express the sense of the Senate that the Committee on Finance shall consider and report a legislative proposal this year that would dedicate the Federal budget surplus to the establishment of a program of personal retirement accounts for working Americans. **Page 5351**

Lautenberg (for Johnson) Amendment No. 2210, to express the sense of the Senate regarding repair and construction of Indian schools. **Page 5352**

Allard Amendment No. 2170, to require the reduction of the deficit, a balanced Federal budget, and the repayment of the national debt. **Page 5352**

Craig Amendment No. 2211, to modify the pay-as-you-go requirement of the budget process to require that direct spending increases be offset only with direct spending decreases. **Page 5354**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

Three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected motions to waive certain provisions of the Congressional Budget Act with respect to consideration of the following amendments:

By 46 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 50), Murray Amendment No. 2165, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund to reduce class size by hiring 100,000 teachers.

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By 50 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 52), Conrad (for Dodd) Amendment No. 2173, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund for child care improvements. Pages 5308, 5320

Subsequently, a point of order that the amendments were violations of the Congressional Budget Act was sustained, and the amendments thus fell. Page 5320

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for a vote to occur on Amendment No. 2169, at 12 noon, and on Amendment No. 2174, at 2 p.m., on Wednesday, April 1, 1998. Page 5390

Senate will continue consideration of the resolution on Wednesday, April 1, 1998.

Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act Conference Report—Agreement: A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the conference report on H.R. 1757, to consolidate international affairs agencies, and to authorize appropriations for the Department of State and related agencies for fiscal years 1998 and 1999. Page 5390

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting a report concerning B-2 bombers; referred to the Committee on Armed Services. (PM-116).

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations: Nora M. Manella, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California vice Mariana R. Pfaelzer, retired. Page 5390

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—52) Pages 5294, 5307, 5319

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 10:02 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Wednesday, April 1, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record, on page 5390.)

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—CFTC/FDA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999, after receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respective activities from Brooksley Born, Chairperson, Commodity Futures Trading Commission; and Michael A. Friedman, Lead Deputy Commissioner, Robert J. Byrd, Deputy Commissioner for Management and Systems, and William B. Schultz, Deputy Commissioner for Policy, all of the Food and Drug Administration, and Dennis P. Williams, Deputy Assistant Secretary for the Budget, all of the Department of Health and Human Services.

APPROPRIATIONS—FOREIGN ASSISTANCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for foreign assistance programs, focusing on certain economic and political issues, receiving testimony from Strobe Talbott, Deputy Secretary, and Stuart E. Eizenstat, Under Secretary for Economic Business and Agricultural Affairs, both of the Department of State.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, April 21.

APPROPRIATIONS—JUSTICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary, and Related Agencies concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Justice, focusing on counter terrorism programs, after receiving testimony from Janet Reno, Attorney General, and Louis J. Freeh, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, both of the Department of Justice.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces held hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on strategic nuclear policy and related matters, receiving testimony from Edward L. Warner, III, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Strategy and Threat Reduction; Gen. Eugene E. Habiger, USAF, Commander-in-Chief, United States Strategic Command; Adm. Stansfield Turner, USN (Ret.), former Director of Central Intelligence; Kathleen C. Bailey, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory/University of California, Berkeley; Keith B. Payne, National Institute for Public Policy, Fairfax, Virginia; and Bruce Blair, Brookings Institution, Washington, D.C.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

**AUTHORIZATION—SURFACE
TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine concluded hearings on S. 1802, authorizing funds for fiscal years 1999 through 2001 for the Surface Transportation Board, after receiving testimony from Linda J. Morgan, Chairman, Surface Transportation Board, Department of Transportation; Ed Rastatter, National Industrial Transportation League, Arlington, Virginia; Jon M. Huntsman, Jr., Huntsman Corporation, Salt Lake City, Utah, on behalf of the Chemical Manufacturers Association and the Society of the Plastics Industry, Inc.; Kendell Keith, Washington, D.C., and Ed Lauer, Attebury Grain Inc., Amarillo, Texas, both on behalf of the National Grain and Feed Association; Robert G. Szabo, Consumers United for Rail Equity, Terry C. Whiteside, Alliance for Rail Competition, James A. Hagen, Association of American Railroads, and Edward Wytkind, Transportation Trades Department (AFL-CIO), all of Washington, D.C.; Robb Todd, City Council of Houston, Texas; K. Earl Durden, Rail Management and Consulting Corporation, Panama City Beach, Florida, on behalf of the American Shortline and Regional Railroads Association; and Joseph M. Harrison, American Moving and Storage Association, Alexandria, Virginia.

NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1100 and S. 1275, bills to make the United States Immigration and Nationality Act and the minimum wage provisions of the United States Fair Labor Standards Act applicable to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and to impose certain restrictions on textile products manufactured in the Commonwealth, after receiving testimony from Bruce Babbitt, Secretary of the Interior; Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Governor Pedro P. Tenorio, Speaker of the House of Representatives Diego T. Benavente, and President of the Senate Paul A. Manglona, both of the Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature, Kerry McKinney, Saipan Chamber of Commerce, Eric Gregoire, Diocese of Chalan Kanoa, Ron Sablan, Hotel Association of the Northern Mariana Islands, all of Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands; and Carlos Moore, American Textile Manufacturers Institute, Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING: IRS REFORM

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service of the Department of the Treasury, in lieu of H.R. 2676.

CHARTER SCHOOLS

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee concluded hearings to examine the role of charter schools in

educational reform, State and Federal efforts to help charter schools access Federal funds, and S. 1380 and H.R. 2616, bills to extend the authorization of funds through fiscal year 2002 for titles VI and X of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act to expand the implementation of public charter schools, after receiving testimony from Senator Lieberman; Representative Roemer; Cornelia M. Blanchette, Associate Director for Education and Employment Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; Joan Heffernan, Integrated Day Charter School, Norwich, Connecticut; Raymond Jackson, ATOP Academy, and Lisa Graham Keegan, Arizona Department of Education, on behalf of the Education Leaders Council, both of Phoenix, Arizona; Tim Sindelar, Disability Law Center, Boston, Massachusetts; and Eric Rofes, University of California at Berkeley.

**VA COMPENSATION FOR TOBACCO-RELATED
ILLNESSES**

Committee on Veterans Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on proposed legislation to limit the provision of veterans' benefits for tobacco-related disability and death, after receiving testimony from Togo D. West, Jr., Acting Secretary, Joseph Thompson, Under Secretary for Benefits, John Thompson, Associate General Counsel, Thomas Garthwaite, Deputy Under Secretary for Health, and Mary Lou Kenner and James Endicott, both a former General Counsel, all of the Department of Veterans Affairs; and Philip R. Wilkerson, American Legion, David W. Gorman, Disabled American Veterans, Gordon H. Mansfield, Paralyzed Veterans of America, Kenneth A. Steadman, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and William F. Russo, Vietnam Veterans of America, all of Washington, D.C.

HOME HEALTH CARE ACCESS

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded hearings to examine the effect on seniors of certain policy changes to the home health care provisions under Medicare as directed by the Balanced Budget Act of 1997, focusing on the interim payment system, venipuncture or the drawing of blood, and surety bonds requirements, after receiving testimony from Nancy-Ann Min DeParle, Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Barbara Markham Smith, George Washington University Medical Center, and William Dombi, Center for Health Care Law, on behalf of the National Association for Home Care, both of Washington, D.C.; Cindi Slack, Sioux Valley Hospital Visiting Nurses Association, Sioux Falls, South Dakota; David J. Martin, Apple Home Healthcare, Inc., Metairie, Louisiana; Linda Fanton, Eastern Iowa Visiting Nurses and Home Health Care, Monticello; and James C. Pateidl, Lockton Companies, Kansas City, Missouri, on behalf of the National Association of Surety Bond Producers.

House of Representatives

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Bills Introduced: 13 public bills, H.R. 3602–3614; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 256, and H. Res. 404 were introduced. **Page 5287**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Report on the Revised Suballocation of Budget Totals for fiscal year 1998 (H. Rept. 105–475); and

H. Res. 405, providing for consideration of H.R. 2400, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs (H. Rept. 105–476). **Page 5287**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Snowbarger to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 5211**

Recess: The House recessed at 9:56 a.m. and reconvened at 11:00 p.m. **Page 5214**

Secret Session: By a recorded vote of 194 ayes to 227 noes, Roll No. 86, rejected the Obey motion that the House resolve itself into secret session, that the galleries be cleared of all persons and that the House Chamber be cleared of all persons except the Members of the House and those officers and employees specified by the Speaker whose attendance on the floor is essential to the functioning of the House and who subscribe to the notarized oath of confidentiality. **Page 5229**

Emergency Supplemental Appropriations: The House passed H.R. 3579, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998 by a yeas and nays vote of 212 yeas to 208 nays, Roll No. 88. **Page 5230**

Rejected the Murtha motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report it back to the House forthwith with an amendment to strike Title II of the bill by a yeas and nays vote of 195 yeas to 224 nays, Roll No. 87. **Page 5255**

Agreed to the Livingston amendment that provides \$20 million to the Community Development Block Grant Fund for use in states in the northeast impacted by the January 1998 ice storms and offset by a \$20 million rescission in the section 8 Housing Reserve Account. **Page 5253**

H. Res. 402, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 220 yeas to 199 nays, Roll No. 85. Pursuant to the rule, three amendments printed in part 1 of H. Rept. 105–473, the report accompanying the rule were considered as adopted. These amendments prevent the Corps of Engineers from depositing fill on the site where the Kennewick Man remains were discovered in the State of Washington prior to the final disposition of a District Court lawsuit; express the Sense of the House concerning fiscal responsi-

bility and reducing spending to offset supplemental appropriations; and replaces a \$243.6 million rescission of FAA Grants-In-Aid contract authority with an offsetting rescission from the Section 8 Housing Reserve Account. **Page 5219**

Financial Services Act of 1997: H. Res. 403, the rule providing for consideration of H.R. 10, to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, and other financial service providers was called up for consideration and subsequently withdrawn. **Page 5257**

Presidential Message—B-2 Bomber Procurement: Read a message from the President wherein he certifies to the Congress that no additional B-2 bombers should be procured during this fiscal year—referred to the Committees on Appropriations and National Security and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–236). **Page 5264**

Order of Business—Credit Union Membership Access Act: It was made in order that notwithstanding clause 1 of rule XXVII, it be in order at any time on Wednesday, April 1, 1998, for the Speaker to entertain a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill H.R. 1151, Credit Union Membership Access Act. **Page 5283**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page 5214.

Referral: S. 1751, to extend the deadline for submission of a report by the Commission to Assess the Organization of the Federal Government to Combat the Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction, was referred to the Committee on International Relations and the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. **Page 5284**

Quorum Calls—Votes: One quorum call (Roll No. 89), three yeas and nays votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 5228, 5229, 5256, and 5260.

Adjournment: Met at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Committee Meetings

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary held a hearing on the Immigration and Naturalization Service, the U.S. Trade Representative, and the International Trade Administration. Testimony was heard from Doris Meissner, Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice; Charlene Barshefsky, U.S. Trade Representative; and David Aaron, Ambassador, Under Secretary, International Trade, Department of Commerce.

FOREIGN OPERATIONS, EXPORT FINANCING AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress and public witnesses.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior held a hearing on the National Park Service and the National Forest Service. Testimony was heard from Robert Stanton, Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; and Michael Dombeck, Chief, Forest Service, USDA.

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on Vocational and Adult Education, Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Educational Research and Improvements and the Office of Inspector General. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Education: Patricia W. McNeil, Assistant Secretary, Vocational and Adult Education; Judith E. Heumann, Assistant Secretary, Special Education and Rehabilitative Services; Ricky T. Takai, Acting Assistant Secretary, Educational Research and Improvement; and Steven A. McNamara, Acting Inspector General.

VA-HUD-INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA-HUD and Independent Agencies held a hearing on NASA. Testimony was heard from Daniel S. Goldin, Administrator, NASA.

COUNTERFEITING INCREASE—PERSONAL COMPUTERS

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy held a hearing to examine the increase in counterfeiting using personal computers. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Thomas Ferguson, Deputy Director, Bureau of Engraving and Printing; and Dennis F. Lynch, Special Agent in Charge, Counterfeit Division, U.S. Secret Service.

JOINT BUDGET RESOLUTION

Committee on the Budget: Task Force on Budget Process held a hearing on Joint Budget Resolution (Should the Budget be a Law?). Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FCC REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on reauthorization of the FCC. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the FCC: William E. Kennard,

Chairman, Susan Ness, Harold W. Furchtgott-Roth, Michael K. Powell and Gloria Tristani, all Commissioners; Robert P. Murphy, General Counsel, GAO; and a public witness.

WORKPLACE COMPETITIVE ISSUES

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on American Work Project: Workplace Competitive Issues. Testimony was heard from Representative Goodling; John R. Fraser, Acting Administrator, Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor; and public witnesses.

FOREIGN CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Held a hearing on FEC Enforcement Actions: Foreign Campaign Contributions and Other FECA Violations. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the FEC: Scott E. Thomas, Vice Chairman; Lawrence M. Noble, General Counsel; Lois Lerner, Associate General Counsel; and Jose Rodriguez, Staff Attorney.

COUNTER-NARCOTICS POLICY—COLOMBIA

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on U.S. Counter-Narcotics Policy Towards Colombia. Testimony was heard from Randy Beers, Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, Department of State; Gen. Charles E. Wilhelm, USMC, Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Southern Command, Department of Defense; Gen. Jose Serrano, Director General, National Police, Colombia; and public witnesses.

BETRAYAL OF SREBRENICA

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights held a hearing on the Betrayal of Srebrenica: Why did the Massacre Happen? Will It Happen Again? Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

BUILDING EFFICIENT SURFACE TRANSPORTATION AND EQUITY ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule on H.R. 2400, Building Efficient Surface Transportation and Equity Act of 1998, providing two hours of general debate equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and thirty minutes equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order the amendment in the nature of a substitute as recommended by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, as modified by the amendment recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means now printed in the bill and as modified by the amendment printed in part 1 of the report of the Committee on Rules, as an original bill for

the purpose of amendment which shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the amendment in the nature of a substitute, as modified. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in part 2 of the report of the Committee on Rules and waives all points of order against the amendments. The rule provides that the amendments made in order under part 2 of the report shall be considered only in the order specified, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Shuster, Petri, Baker, Archer, Bilbray, Hunter, Roukema, Kasich, Morella, Shays, Parker, Canady, Castle, Inglis of South Carolina, McKeon, McIntosh, Graham, Hayworth, Barr of Georgia, Ryan, Largent, Oberstar, Obey, Spratt, DeLauro, Moran of Virginia, Norton and Minge.

DOMAIN NAMES SYSTEMS

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Basic Research and the Subcommittee on Technology held a joint oversight hearing on Domain Names Systems: Where Do We Go From Here? Testimony was heard from Ira Magaziner, Senior Advisor to the President for Policy Development, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

ELECTRICITY DEREGULATION

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held an oversight hearing on Electricity Deregulation: Implications for Research and Development and Renewable Energy. Testimony was heard from Victor S. Rezendes, Director, Energy Resources and Science Issues, GAO; David Rohy, Vice Chair, Energy Commission, State of California; and public witnesses.

WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT—PROPOSAL

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing on Proposals for a Water Resources Development Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

TAX RETURN FILING SEASON; IRS BUDGET

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on the 1998 Tax Return Filing Season and the IRS Budget for Fiscal Year 1999. Testimony was heard from Charles O. Rossotti, Commissioner, IRS, Department of the Treasury; Lynda D. Willis, Director, Tax

Policy and Administration Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

AMERICAS FREE TRADE AREA

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade held a hearing on Free Trade Area of the Americas. Testimony was heard from Representative Farr; Richard Fisher, Deputy U.S. Trade Representative; and public witnesses.

HUMAN INTELLIGENCE AND COVERT ACTION

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Human Intelligence and Covert Action. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Eleven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1894–S. 1904, and S.J. Res. 44. **Page 5495**

Measures Passed:

Congressional Adjournment: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 257, providing for an adjournment of the House of Representatives and the Senate. **Page 5475**

Land Conveyance: Senate passed H.R. 1116, to provide for the conveyance of the reversionary interest of the United States in certain lands to the Clint Independent School District and the Fabens Independent School District, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 5551**

Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact Consent Act: Senate passed H.R. 629, to grant the consent of the Congress to the Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact, after taking action on amendment proposed thereto, as follows: **Page 5544**

Adopted:

Domenici (for Snowe) Amendment No. 2276, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 5547**

Domenici (for Wellstone) Amendment No. 2277 (to Amendment No. 2276), to add certain conditions to the grant of consent to the compact. **Page 5547**

Domenici (for Wellstone) Amendment No. 2278 (to Amendment No. 2276), to add certain conditions to the grant of consent to the compact. **Page 5547**

Congressional Budget: Senate resumed consideration of S. Con. Res. 86, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal years 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, and 2003 and revising the concurrent

resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1998, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

Kerrey Amendment No. 2214, to express the sense of the Senate on the need for long-term entitlement reforms.

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Burns Amendment No. 2178, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the use of agricultural trade programs to promote the export of United States agricultural commodities and products.

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By 51 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 53), Kyl Amendment No. 2169, to express the sense of the Congress regarding freedom of health care choice for medicare seniors.

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Lautenberg (for Johnson) Modified Amendment No. 2210, to express the sense of the Senate regarding repair and construction of Indian schools.

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By 51 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 56), Domenici (for Roth) Amendment No. 2209, to express the sense of the Senate that the Committee on Finance shall consider and report a legislative proposal this year that would dedicate the Federal budget surplus to the establishment of a program of personal retirement accounts for working Americans.

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By a unanimous vote of 99 yeas (Vote No. 59), Domenici (for Faircloth) Amendment No. 2251, to express the sense of the Senate that the Congress should begin to phase out the marriage penalty this year.

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Lautenberg (for Durbin/Chafee) Modified Amendment No. 2205, to express the sense of Congress regarding the right to affordable, high-quality health care for seniors.

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Domenici (for Burns/Baucus) Amendment No. 2275, to express the sense of the Congress regarding a permanent extension of income averaging for farmers.

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Rejected:

Conrad (for Moseley-Braun) Amendment No. 2175, to express the sense of the Senate regarding elementary and secondary school modernization and construction. (By 54 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 57), Senate tabled the amendment.)

Pages 5423, 5439, 5475

Withdrawn:

Lautenberg (for Wyden) Amendment No. 2203, to direct the Congressional Budget Office to calculate inflation swings or shortfalls in each function of the Government.

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Pending:

Allard Amendment No. 2170, to require the reduction of the deficit, a balanced Federal budget, and the repayment of the national debt.

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Conrad (for Boxer) Modified Amendment No. 2176, to increase Function 500 discretionary budget authority and

outlays to accommodate an initiative promoting after-school education and safety.

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Brownback Amendment No. 2177, to express the sense of the Senate regarding economic growth, social security, and Government efficiency.

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Smith (Oregon) Amendment No. 2179, to express the sense of the Senate on Social Security taxes.

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Smith (Oregon) Amendment No. 2180, to express the sense of the Senate with respect to the use of marijuana for medicinal purposes.

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Smith (Oregon) Amendment No. 2181, to express the sense of the Senate concerning increases in the prices of tobacco products.

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Kennedy Amendment No. 2183, to express the sense of the Senate concerning the enactment of a patient's bill of rights.

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Kennedy Amendment No. 2184, to increase Function 500 discretionary budget authority and outlays to support innovative education reform efforts in urban and rural school districts.

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Kennedy Amendment No. 2185, to express the sense of the Congress regarding additional budget authority for the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

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Wellstone Modified Amendment No. 2186, to provide a reserve fund to pay for increased Pell Grants by reducing or eliminating corporate welfare tax expenditures.

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Wellstone/Moynihan Amendment No. 2187, to express the sense of the Senate regarding a report of the Secretary of Health and Human Services evaluating the outcomes of welfare reform.

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Wellstone Modified Amendment No. 2188, to provide additional funds for medical care for veterans.

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Thurmond Amendment No. 2191, to clarify outlay levels for major functional categories.

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Thurmond Amendment No. 2192, to clarify outlay levels for national defense.

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Lautenberg Amendment No. 2194, to express the sense of the Senate to ensure that the tobacco reserve fund in the resolution may be used to protect the public health.

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Lautenberg Amendment No. 2195, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund for environmental and natural resources.

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Lautenberg (for Kohl/Reid) Modified Amendment No. 2204, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the establishment of a national background check system for long-term care workers.

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Reid/Bryan Amendment No. 2206, to express the sense of the Senate that the landowner incentive program included in the Endangered Species Recovery Act should be financed from a dedicated source of funding and that public lands should not be sold to fund the landowner incentive program of the Endangered Species Recovery Act.

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Domenici (for Hutchison) Amendment No. 2208, to express the sense of the Senate that any budget surplus should be dedicated to debt reduction or direct tax relief for hard-working American families. **Page 5460**

Lautenberg (for Torricelli/Jeffords) Amendment No. 2212, to express the sense of the Senate on battlefield preservation. **Page 5459**

Bond/Mikulski Modified Amendment No. 2213, to express the sense of the Senate that the Elderly Housing program shall be funded at not less than the fiscal year 1998 funding level. **Pages 5412, 5488**

Kerrey Amendment No. 2215, to express the sense of the Senate regarding passage of the IRS Restructuring and Reform Act of 1997. **Page 5416**

Murray Amendment No. 2216, to increase Function 500 discretionary budget authority and outlays to accommodate both Administration investments in education and the \$2.5 billion increase assumed by the resolution for IDEA. **Page 5419**

Murray Amendment No. 2217, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the expansion of Medicare benefits. **Page 5419**

Dorgan Modified Amendment No. 2218, to strike section 301 of the concurrent resolution, which expresses the sense of Congress regarding the sunset of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and replace it with a section expressing the sense of Congress that important tax incentives such as those for encouraging home ownership and charitable giving should be retained. **Pages 5420, 5478**

Dorgan Amendment No. 2219, to establish a reserve fund for health research at the National Institutes of Health, funded by receipts from tobacco legislation. **Page 5421**

Biden Amendment No. 2220, to permit the use of Federal tobacco funds to reimburse the Veterans Administration for the costs of treating smoking-related illnesses. **Page 5421**

Kyl Amendment No. 2221, to express the sense of the Senate supporting a supermajority requirement for raising taxes. **Page 5421**

Domenici (for Grams) Amendment No. 2222, to use any budget surplus to reduce payroll tax and establish personal retirement accounts for hard-working Americans. **Page 5460**

Bingaman/Lieberman Amendment No. 2223, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund for civilian research and development. **Page 5425**

Feingold Amendment No. 2224, to establish a disability reserve fund. **Page 5434**

Domenici (for DeWine) Amendment No. 2225, to state the sense of the Senate regarding the quality of teachers. **Page 5434**

Lautenberg (for Rockefeller) Amendment No. 2226, to revise outlays and new budget authority for transportation (400) programs and allowances (920), and to strike those provisions with regard to outlays and new budget author-

ity for programs of function 700, Veterans Benefits and Services. **Pages 5455, 5490**

Lautenberg (for Conrad) Amendment No. 2227, to ensure that the tobacco reserve fund in the resolution may be used to strengthen social security. **Page 5455**

Lautenberg (for Bumpers) Amendment No. 2228, to provide for funding to help the states comply with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act by eliminating an unjustified tax loophole. **Page 5456**

Lautenberg (for Feinstein) Amendment No. 2229, to express the sense of the Senate on education goals. **Page 5456**

Lautenberg (for Kerry) Amendment No. 2230, to ensure that tobacco reserve fund in the resolution protects public health. **Page 5456**

Lautenberg (for Wellstone) Amendment No. 2231, to express the sense of the Senate supporting additional funding for fiscal year 1999 for medical care for veterans. **Page 5456**

Lautenberg (for Robb) Amendment No. 2232, to ensure that the tobacco reserve fund in the resolution protects tobacco farmers. **Page 5456**

Lautenberg (for Biden) Amendment No. 2233, to provide for the Senate's support for Federal, State and local law enforcement. **Pages 5455, 5456**

Lautenberg (for Boxer) Amendment No. 2234, to expand the uses of the tobacco reserve fund to include funding for health research, including the National Institutes of Health. **Pages 5455, 5457**

Lautenberg (for Bingaman/Lieberman) Amendment No. 2235, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the analysis of civilian science and technology expenditures in the budget. **Pages 5455, 5457**

Lautenberg (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 2236, to express the sense of the Senate regarding long-term civilian science and technology budget trends. **Pages 5455, 5457**

Lautenberg (for Kerrey) Amendment No. 2237, to express the sense of the Senate on long-term Federal budgeting and the repayment of the public debt. **Pages 5455, 5457**

Lautenberg (for Moseley-Braun) Amendment No. 2238, to express the sense of the Senate regarding tax legislation that increases the complexity of any tax return. **Pages 5455, 5457**

Lautenberg (for Moseley-Braun) Amendment No. 2239, to express the sense of the Senate that the President should submit a generational study with the budget request. **Pages 5455, 5458**

Lautenberg (for Moseley-Braun) Amendment No. 2240, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the value of the social security system for future retirees. **Pages 5455, 5458**

Lautenberg (for Durbin) Amendment No. 2241, to express the sense of Congress regarding the right to affordable, high-quality health care for seniors. **Pages 5455, 5458**

Lautenberg (for Dorgan) Amendment No. 2242, to express the sense of the Senate on ensuring social security solvency. **Pages 5455, 5458**

Lautenberg Amendment No. 2243, to express the sense of the Senate that the Congress and the Administration should fulfill the intent of the Amtrak Reform and Accountability Act of 1997 and appropriate sufficient funds in each of the next five years to enable Amtrak to implement its Strategic Business Plan, while preserving the integrity of the \$2.2 billion provided under the Taxpayer Relief Act for the statutory purpose of capital investment. **Pages 5455, 5458**

Lautenberg (for Daschle) Amendment No. 2244, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages 5455, 5459**

Lautenberg (for Torricelli) Amendment No. 2245, to express the sense of the Senate on battlefield preservation. **Pages 5455, 5459**

Lautenberg (for Torricelli) Amendment No. 2246, to express the sense of the Senate on the Land and Water Conservation Fund. **Pages 5455, 5459**

Lautenberg (for Moynihan) Amendment No. 2247, to express the sense of the Senate that the Committee on Finance should consider legislation to preserve social security and ensure its long-run solvency; and that no policy options, affecting either outlays, revenues, or the manner of investment of funds, should be excluded from consideration. **Pages 5455, 5459**

Domenici (for Bond) Amendment No. 2248, to express the sense of the Senate regarding Immigration and Naturalization Service circuit rides in the former Soviet Union. **Page 5460**

Domenici (for Abraham) Amendment No. 2249, to express the sense of Congress that the Budget Act should be amended to facilitate the use of future unified budget surpluses to strengthen and reform social security, reform the tax code, and reduce the tax burden on middle-class families. **Page 5460**

Domenici (for Thurmond) Amendment No. 2250, to express the sense of the Senate regarding long-term care needs. **Page 5460**

Domenici (for Sessions) Amendment No. 2252, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the display of the Ten Commandments by a judge on the circuit court of the State of Alabama. **Page 5461**

Domenici (for Stevens) Amendment No. 2253, to express the sense of the Senate regarding outlay estimates of the Department of Defense budget. **Page 5461**

Domenici (for Specter) Amendment No. 2254, to modify the use of the tobacco reserve fund. **Page 5461**

Domenici (for Specter) Amendment No. 2255, to modify the tobacco reserve fund to allow up to \$10.5 billion to be spent on post-service smoking related Veterans compensation benefits. **Page 5461**

Domenici (for Specter) Amendment No. 2256, relating to the distribution of certain receipts from tobacco legislation. **Page 5461**

Domenici (for Nickles) Amendment No. 2257, to establish a prohibition on precatory language on budget resolutions. **Page 5462**

Domenici (for Frist) Amendment No. 2258, to express the sense of the Senate regarding funding for the Airport Improvement Program. **Page 5462**

Domenici (for McConnell) Amendment No. 2259, to express the sense of the Congress that the award of attorneys' fees, costs, and sanctions of those amounts ordered by U.S. District Judge Royce C. Lamberth on December 18, 1997, should not be paid with taxpayer funds. **Page 5462**

Domenici (for Sessions) Amendment No. 2260, to express the sense of the Senate regarding limitations on attorneys' fees under any global tobacco settlement. **Page 5462**

Domenici (for Craig) Amendment No. 2261, to express the sense of the Senate on the eligibility of individuals suffering from post-service smoking-related illnesses for VA compensation. **Page 5462**

Domenici (for Coverdell) Amendment No. 2262, to express the sense of the Senate on the procurement of Blackhawk utility helicopters for Colombia to reduce illicit drug trafficking. **Page 5462**

Domenici (for Santorum) Amendment No. 2263, to express the sense of the Senate regarding reauthorization of the Farmland Protection Program. **Page 5463**

Domenici (for Santorum) Amendment No. 2264, to express the sense of the Senate concerning health care quality for participants in the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program. **Page 5463**

Domenici (for Kempthorne) Amendment No. 2265, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the Market Access Program. **Page 5463**

Domenici (for Gramm) Amendment No. 2266, to extend the Violent Crime Reduction Trust Fund. **Pages 5460, 5464**

Domenici (for Coverdell) Amendment No. 2267, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the Department of Justice's pursuit of Medicare fraud and abuse. **Page 5464**

Domenici (for Coverdell) Amendment No. 2268, to express the sense of the Senate regarding national response to the threat of illegal drugs. **Page 5464**

Domenici (for Coverdell) Amendment No. 2269, to express the sense of the Senate regarding wasteful spending in Defense Department acquisition practices. **Page 5464**

Domenici (for Coverdell/Kyl) Amendment No. 2270, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the United States' response to the changing nature of terrorism. **Page 5465**

Domenici (for Coverdell/Dodd) Amendment No. 2271, to express the sense of the Senate regarding a multinational alliance against drug trafficking. **Page 5465**

Domenici (for Mack) Amendment No. 2272, to express the sense of the Senate regarding funding of the National Institutes of Health. **Page 5465**

Domenici (for Hatch) Amendment No. 2273, to assume that the use of the tobacco reserve fund is consistent with tobacco legislation approved by the Senate. **Pages 5466**

Domenici (for Sessions) Amendment No. 2274, to express the sense of the Senate regarding limitations on attorneys' fees under any global tobacco settlement. **Page 5466**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

Three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected motions to waive certain provisions of the Congressional Budget Act with respect to consideration of the following amendments:

By 46 yeas to 54 nays (Vote No. 54), Conrad/Lautenberg/Bingaman/Reed Amendment No. 2174, to ensure that the tobacco reserve fund in the resolution protects public health. **Page 5430**

By 38 yeas to 62 nays (Vote No. 55), Coverdell Amendment No. 2199, to provide middle class tax relief. **Pages 5403, 5431**

By 42 yeas to 58 nays (Vote No. 58), Lautenberg (for Hollings) Amendment No. 2193, to provide a supermajority point of order against any change in the off-budget status of Social Security. **Pages 5459, 5467, 5476**

By 54 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 60), Craig Amendment No. 2211, to modify the pay-as-you-go requirement of the budget process to require that direct spending increases be offset only with direct spending decreases. **Pages 5472, 5477**

Subsequently, a point of order that the amendments were violations of the Congressional Budget Act was sustained, and the amendments thus fell. **Pages 5432, 5433**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Thursday, April 2, 1998. **Page 5551**

Visa Waiver Pilot Program Reauthorization Act: Senate concurred in the amendments of the House to S. 1178, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to extend the visa waiver pilot program, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 5548**

Wireless Telephone Protection Act: Senate concurred in the amendments of the House to S. 493, to amend section 1029 of title 18, United States Code, with respect to cellular telephone cloning paraphernalia, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 5549**

Nominations—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the nominations of G. Patrick Murphy, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois, and Michael P. McCuskey, to be United States District Judge

for the Central District of Illinois, on Thursday, April 2, 1998, with votes to occur thereon. **Page 5544**

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed for the following treaty:

Inter-American Convention Against Corruption. (Treaty Doc. 105-39)

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and was ordered to be printed. **Page 5544**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Timothy B. Dyk, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit.

1 Army nomination in the rank of Chief, Army Reserve, United States Army.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Navy. **Page 5551**

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Record Votes: Eight record votes were taken today. (Total—60) **Pages 5419, 5433, 5455, 5475, 5476**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 10:33 p.m., until 8:30 a.m., on Thursday, April 2, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record, on page 5551.)

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of the Interior, receiving testimony from Bruce Babbitt, Secretary of the Interior.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, April 23.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for Department of Defense medical programs, receiving testimony from Lt. Gen. Ronald R. Blanck, Surgeon General of the Army; Vice Adm. Harold M. Koenig, Surgeon General of the Navy; Lt. Gen. Charles

H. Roadman, II, Surgeon General of the Air Force; Brig. Gen. Bettye H. Simmons, Chief, Army Nurse Corps; Capt. Mary Ann Gardner, Deputy Director, Navy Nurse Corps; and Brig. Gen. Linda J. Stierle, Director, Medical Readiness Doctrine and Planning and Nursing Services, Department of Defense.

Subcommittee will meet again on Wednesday, April 22.

APPROPRIATIONS—NIH

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the National Institutes of Health, receiving testimony from Harold E. Varmus, Director, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services, who was accompanied by several of his associates.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

IDENTITY THEFT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Financial Services and Technology concluded hearings to examine the impact and extent of the illegal use of personal identifiers (social security numbers, credit cards, or personal identifications) and other related data often available through the electronic media, and the need for legislation to identify a single federal agency with jurisdiction to investigate and prosecute criminals involved in crimes of identity theft, after receiving testimony from James Bauer, Deputy Assistant Director, Office of Investigations, United States Secret Service, Department of the Treasury; Wayne C. Matus, New York, New York; Darylle Goodfield, Los Angeles, California; and Sue Carter, Southern California.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 1415, to reform and restructure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation held hearings on certain provisions of S. 1693, to renew, reform, reinvigorate, and protect the National Park System, focusing on Title I, to reform management operations of the National Park Service, Title II, to provide for the establishment of criteria for creating new units of the National Park Systems, Title III, to extend the current recreational fee demonstration program through September 30, 2005 and expand it to all units of the National Park System, and Title V, to create a passport specifically for use for admission to units of the National

Park System, receiving testimony from Robert G. Stanton, Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; Edward M. Norton, National Trust for Historic Preservation, Albert C. Eisenberg, National Parks and Conservation Association, David J. Humphreys, American Recreation Coalition, and William P. Horn, Birch, Horton, Bittner, and Cherot, all of Washington, D.C.; and Rick Gale, Boise, Idaho, on behalf of the Association of National Park Rangers.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, April 30.

INDOOR AIR QUALITY

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded hearings to examine issues relating to indoor air quality, focusing on the health effects of second-hand smoke in the workplace and in homes, and related provisions of the proposed tobacco settlement between State Attorneys General and the tobacco industry, after receiving testimony from Carol M. Browner, Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency; Michael P. Eriksen, Director, Office on Smoking and Health, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services; Kansas Attorney General Carla J. Stovall, Topeka; Gregory N. Connolly, Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Boston; Alfred Munzer, Washington Adventist Hospital, Takoma Park, Maryland, on behalf of the American Lung Association; Robert K. Lemons, Building Owners and Managers Association of Boston, Cambridge, Massachusetts; and Michael Sternberg, Sam & Harry's Restaurants, Washington, D.C., on behalf of the National Restaurant Association.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

H.R. 1836, to amend chapter 89 of title 5, United States Code, to improve administration of sanctions against unfit health care providers under the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program, with an amendment;

S. 1642, to improve the effectiveness and performance of Federal financial assistance programs, simplify Federal financial assistance application and reporting requirements, and improve the delivery of services to the public;

H.R. 2766, to designate the United States Post Office located at 215 East Jackson Street in Painesville, Ohio, as the "Karl Bernal Post Office Building";

H.R. 2773, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3750 North Kedzie Avenue in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Daniel J. Doffyn Post Office Building";

S. 1886, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3750 North Kedzie Avenue in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Daniel J. Doffyn Post Office Building";

H.R. 2836, to designate the building of the United States Postal Service located at 180 East Kellogg Boule-

vard in Saint Paul, Minnesota, as the "Eugene J. McCarthy Post Office Building";

H.R. 3120, A bill to designate the United States Post Office located at 95 West 100 South Street in Provo, Utah, as the "Howard C. Nielson Post Office Building"; and

The nominations of Elaine D. Kaplan, of the District of Columbia, to be Special Counsel, Office of Special Counsel, Ruth Y. Goldway, of California, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Rate Commission, and Melvin R. Wright, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia.

Prior to this action, committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Mr. Wright (listed above), after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

YEAR 2000 CONVERSION

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine Federal agencies' efforts to successfully convert computer systems for the Year 2000, focusing on the progress of strategies being implemented to avoid major computer disruptions, after receiving testimony from John A. Koskinen, Chair, President's Council on the Year 2000 Conversion; Kevin L. Thurm, Deputy Secretary of Health and Human Services; and Mortimer L. Downey, Deputy Secretary of Transportation.

AIRLINE HUB PRACTICES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights, and Competition concluded hearings to examine the state of competition in the domestic aviation industry, focusing on whether airline hubs produce competitive benefits or impose monopoly prices on the public, after receiving testimony from Richard B. Hirst, Northwest Airlines, Inc., St. Paul, Minnesota; Steven A. Morrison, Northeastern University, Boston, Massachusetts; Cyril D. Murphy, United Airlines, Inc., Chicago, Illinois; Robert J. Spane, Vanguard Airlines, Mission, Missouri; and Kevin C. Stamper, Pro Air, Inc., Detroit, Michigan.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1882, authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for programs of the Higher Education Act, with amendments;

S. 1754, to consolidate and authorize funds for health professions and minority and disadvantaged health professions and disadvantaged health education programs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Rebecca T. Bingham, of Kentucky, and Martha B. Gould, of Nevada, each to be a Member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science, Scott Snyder Fleming, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Education for Legislation and Congress-

sional Affairs; and Cherryl T. Thomas, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Railroad Retirement Board.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1279, to provide for the transfer of services and personnel from the Bureau of Indian Affairs to the Office of Self-Governance of the Department of the Interior, and to emphasize the need for job creation on Indian reservations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1797, to reduce tobacco use by Native Americans and to make the proposed tobacco settlement applicable to tobacco-related activities on Indian lands, with amendments; and

The nomination of Katherine L. Archuleta, of Colorado, to be a Member of the Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development.

INDIAN GAMING REGULATORY IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee held hearings on S. 1870, to provide the National Indian Gaming Commission with resources to monitor and regulate certain Indian gaming operations, receiving testimony from Kevin Gover, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs; Mayor Art Madrid, La Mesa, California; Tadd M. Johnson, National Indian Gaming Commission, Raymond C. Scheppach, National Governors' Association, and W. Ron Allen, National Congress of American Indians, all of Washington, D.C.; Deborah Doxtator, Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, Oneida; and Daniel Tucker, California Nations Indian Gaming Association, Sacramento.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 76 public bills, H.R. 3615–3690; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 257–260, and H. Res. 406 were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 2691, to reauthorize and improve the operations of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, amended (H. Rept. 105–477);

H.R. 1252, to modify the procedures of the Federal courts in certain matters, amended (H. Rept. 105–478);

H.R. 2729, a private bill, for the relief of Ruth Hairston by waiver of a filing deadline for appeal from a ruling relating to her application for a survivor annuity (H. Rept. 105–479); and

H.R. 2431, to establish an Office of Religious Persecution Monitoring, to provide for the imposition of sanctions against countries engaged in a pattern of religious persecution (H. Rept. 105-480). **Page 5756**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Hefley to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 5553**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, the Reverend Douglas Tanner of Washington, D.C. **Page 5553**

Suspension—Credit Union Membership Access Act: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 1151, to amend the Federal Credit Union Act to clarify existing law and ratify the longstanding policy of the National Credit Union Administration Board with regard to field of membership of Federal credit unions, by a yeas and nays vote of 411 yeas to 8 nays, Roll No. 92. **Page 5567**

Rules Committee Resolutions: Agreed by unanimous consent that H. Res. 309 and H. Res. 403 be laid on the table. **Page 5584**

Building Efficient Surface Transportation and Equity Act: The House passed H.R. 2400, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs by a recorded vote of 337 yeas to 80 nays with 2 voting "present", Roll No. 98. **Page 5584**

Agreed To:

The Shuster manager's amendment, as modified, that makes various technical changes including provisions relating to partnerships with nongovernmental entities; the Indian reservation roads program; the Federal share for certain safety projects; a substitute project for the District of Columbia in lieu of Barney Circle freeway; use of HOV lanes by electric vehicles; a highway safety education and information study and report to Congress; studies on clean fuel vehicles, electronic data, and future strategic highway research; an integrated surface transportation strategic planning process; and a surface transportation-environment cooperative research program; **Page 5692**

The Davis of Illinois amendment that allocates an additional \$108 million for the access to jobs challenge grant pilot program designed to transport welfare recipients to and from jobs and activities related to their employment (agreed to by a recorded vote of 242 yeas to 175 nays, Roll No. 94); **Pages 5701, 5715**

Rejected:

The Roukema amendment that sought to strike the Disadvantaged Business Enterprises section and insert language encouraging affirmative action and prohibiting discrimination or preferential treatment (rejected by a recorded vote of 194 yeas to 225 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 93); **Page 5703**

The Graham amendment that sought to reduce highway project authorization funding and transit project authorization funding by approximately \$18 billion during fiscal years 1998 through 2003 (rejected by a recorded vote of 79 yeas to 337 nays with 2 voting "present", Roll No. 95); **Pages 5716, 5732**

The Spratt amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to extend funding for an additional two months for each of the programs for which an extension was provided under the Surface Transportation Extension Act of 1997 (rejected by a recorded vote of 106 yeas to 312 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 96); and **Pages 5719, 5732**

The Kasich amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to establish the Transportation Empowerment Act that provides a four year transition period to return to the States maximum discretionary authority and fiscal responsibility for all elements of the national transportation systems not within the direct purview of the Federal government and lowers the federal gas tax by 11 cents per gallon and eliminates most highway trust fund programs (rejected by a recorded vote of 98 yeas to 318 nays with 2 voting "present", Roll No. 97). **Pages 5723, 5733**

The Clerk was authorized to make technical corrections in the engrossment of the bill to reflect the actions of the House. **Page 5735**

H. Res. 405, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to earlier by a yeas and nays vote of 357 yeas to 61 nays, Roll No. 91. Pursuant to the rule, the amendment expressing the sense of Congress that any offsets should not include provisions that change programs or benefits administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs was considered as adopted. **Page 5556**

Senate Action—BESTEA: Agreed by unanimous consent that if and when the Clerk receives a message from the Senate indicating that it has passed H.R. 2400, with an amendment, insisted upon its amendment, and requested a conference, then the House be deemed to have disagreed to the amendment of the Senate and agreed to the conference requested by the Senate, and that the Speaker be deemed to have appointed conferees without intervening motion. Further, it was made in order that at any time during the week of Tuesday, April 21, 1998, notwithstanding the Speaker's appointment of conferees pursuant to this request, for a Member to offer a motion to instruct the managers on the part of the House on H.R. 2400, as if offered prior to the appointment of the conferees. The managers may not file their report prior to Wednesday, April 22, 1998. **Page 5735**

Appointment of Conferees—BESTEA: Pursuant to the earlier order of the House of today, the Chair appointed the following conferees on H.R. 2400, effective upon receipt of the proper message from the Senate: For consideration of the House bill, except title XI, and the Senate amendment, except title VI, and modifications com-

mitted to conference: Chairman Shuster, Representatives Young of Alaska, Petri, Boehlert, Kim, Horn, Fowler, Baker, Ney, Metcalf, Oberstar, Rahall, Borski, Lipinski, Wise, Clyburn, Filner, and McGovern. The Chair will announce additional conferees at a subsequent time.

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Thirtieth Anniversary of the Death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 247, recognizing the contributions of the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. to the civil society of the United States and the world and to the cause of nonviolent social and political change to advance social justice and equality for all races and calling on the people of the United States to study, reflect on, and celebrate the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., on the thirtieth anniversary of his death.

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Enrollment Correction: The House agreed to S. Con. Res. 87, to correct the enrollment of S. 419.

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Late Report: The committee on Education and the Workforce received permission to have until 5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 20 to file a report on H.R. 6, the Higher Education Amendments of 1998.

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Passover-Easter District Work Period: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 257 providing for the adjournment of both Houses of Congress by a yea and nay vote of 223 yeas to 187 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 91.

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Morella or, if not available, Representative Davis of Virginia to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through Tuesday, April 21, 1998.

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Extension of Remarks: Agreed that for today, all members be permitted to extend their remarks and to include extraneous material in that section of the record entitled "Extension of Remarks."

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Resignations—Appointments: Agreed that notwithstanding any adjournment of the House until Tuesday, April 21, 1998, the Speaker, Majority Leader, and Minority Leader be authorized to accept resignations and to make appointments authorized by law or by the House.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed that business in order under the calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday, April 22, 1998.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate appear on pages 5553 and 5739.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea and nay votes and six recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 5565, 5566, 5583, 5715, 5732, 5733, and 5734. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 257, the House adjourned at 11:59 p.m. until 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 21, for morning hour debates.

Committee Meetings

WTO—MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Risk Management and Specialty Crops held a hearing to review the 1999 World Trade Organization Multilateral Trade Negotiations. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary held a hearing on the EEOC. Testimony was heard from Paul Igasaki, Acting Chairman, EEOC.

The Subcommittee also continued appropriations hearings. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FOREIGN OPERATIONS, EXPORT FINANCING AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs held a hearing on Human Rights. Testimony was heard from John Shattuck, Assistant Secretary, Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, Department of State; and public witnesses.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress.

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on Postsecondary Education, the Office for Civil Rights and the Institute of Museum and Library Services. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Education: David A. Longanecker, Assistant Secretary, Office of Postsecondary Education; and Norma V. Cantu, Assistant Secretary, Civil Rights; and Diane Frankel, Director, Institute of Museum and Library Services, National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities.

VA-HUD AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA-HUD and Independent Agencies held a hearing on NSF. Testimony was heard from Neal F. Lane, Director, NSF.

FINANCIAL CRIMES ENFORCEMENT NETWORK OPERATIONS

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on General Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on the Operations of the Department of the Treasury's Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, ("FinCEN"). Testimony was heard from Richard M. Stana, Associate Director, GAO; and the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: James Johnson, Assistant Secretary, Enforcement; and William Baity, Acting Director, Financial Crimes Enforcement Network.

FHA—SINGLE FAMILY PROPERTY DISPOSITION

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity held a hearing on FHA-Single Family Property Disposition. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Housing and Urban Development: Emelda Johnson, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Single Family Housing; Paul Leonard, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Policy Development and Research; and Susan Gaffney, Inspector General; and Judy England-Joseph, Director, Housing and Community Development Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

BUDGET PROJECTIONS AND BASELINES

Committee on the Budget: Task Force on Budget Process held a hearing on Budget Projections and Baselines. Testimony was heard from Paul Van de Water, Assistant Director, CBO; and public witnesses.

FDA MANAGEMENT CONCERNS

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Management Concerns. Testimony was heard from Robert Gramling, Director, Corporate Audits and Standards, Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO; the following officials of the FDA, Department of Health and Human Services: Michael A. Friedman, M.D., Lead Deputy Commissioner; Robert Byrd, Deputy Commissioner, Management and Systems; and Kathryn C. Zoon, Director, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research; and a public witness.

VIDEO COMPETITION: MULTICHANNEL PROGRAMMING

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on Video Competition: Multichannel Programming, focusing on the following bills; H.R. 2921, Multichannel Video Competition and Consumer Protection Act of 1997; and H.R. 3210, Copyright Compulsory License Improvement Act. Testimony was heard from: John Logan, Acting Bureau Chief, Cable Services Bureau, FCC; Dave Carson, General Counsel, Register of Copyrights, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; OVERSIGHT INVESTIGATION—TEAMSTERS ELECTION; COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 2888, Sales Incentive Compensation Act; and H.R. 2327, Drive for Teen Employment Act.

The Committee approved contract agreements regarding the oversight investigation of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters election.

The Committee also approved pending Committee business.

FEDERALLY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held a hearing on Federal Consolidated Financial Statements: Can the Federal Government Balance Its Books. Testimony was heard from Gene Dodaro, Assistant Comptroller General, GAO; G. Edward DeSeve, Acting Controller and Acting Deputy Director, Management, OMB; and the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Gerald Murphy, Senior Advisor to the Under Secretary, Domestic Finance; and John D. Hawke, Under Secretary, Domestic Finance.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Favorably considered and adopted a motion urging the Chairman to request that the following measures be considered on the Suspension Calendar: H. Res. 350, congratulating the people of Sri Lanka on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of their nation's independence; H. Con. Res. 218, amended, concerning the urgent need to establish a cease fire in Afghanistan and begin the transition toward a broad-based multiethnic government that observes international norms of behavior; H. Res. 374, amended, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the ongoing violence in Algeria; H. Con. Res. 222, expressing the sense of Congress, congratulating the former International Support and Verification Commission of the Organization of American States (OAS-CIAV) for successfully aiding in the transition of Nicaragua from a war-ridden state into a newly formed democracy and providing continued support through the recently created Technical Cooperation Mission (OAS-TCM) which is responsible for helping to stabilize Nicaraguan democracy by supplementing institution building; H. Con. Res. 215, amended, congratulating the people of the Co-operative Republic of Guyana for holding multiparty elections; S. Con. Res. 37, expressing the sense of the Congress that Little League Baseball Incorporated was established to support and develop Little League baseball worldwide and that its international character and activities should be recognized; and H.J. Res. 102, expressing the sense of the Congress on the oc-

casion of the 50th anniversary of the founding of the modern State of Israel and reaffirming the bonds of friendship and cooperation between the United States and Israel.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 872, amended, Biomaterials Access Assurance Act of 1997; H.R. 2925, Deadbeat Parents Punishment Act of 1997; H.R. 3565, Care for Police Survivors Act of 1998; and H.R. 2281, amended, WIPO Copyright Treaties Implementation Act.

The Committee also met and approved private bills.

LONG RANGE AIRPOWER PANEL RESULTS

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Procurement held a hearing on the results of the Long Range Airpower Panel. Testimony was heard from Gen. Larry D. Welch, USAF, (Ret.), President, Institute for Defense Analysis.

MATH AND SCIENCE EDUCATION

Committee on Science: Continued oversight hearings on Math and Science Education II, Attracting and Graduating Scientists and Engineers Prepared to Succeed in Academia and Industry. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

GSA BUDGET

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Economic Development held a hearing on GSA FY 1999 Budget and related Issues. Testimony was heard from Representatives

Myrick, Granger and Frost; and Paul Chistolini, Deputy Commissioner, Public Buildings Service, GSA.

FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Railroads held a hearing on Federal Railroad Administration Reauthorization: Safety Hardware Issues. Testimony was heard from Jolene Molitoris, Administrator, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation; Robert Lauby, Director, Office of Railroad Safety, National Transportation Safety Board; and public witnesses.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS— CONSTRUCTION AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Ordered reported H.R. 3603, to authorize major medical facility projects and major medical facility leases for the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 1999.

SOCIAL SECURITY REFORM

Committee on Ways and Means: Held a hearing on the use of an Expert Panel to Design Long-Range Social Security Reform. Testimony was heard from Speaker Gingrich; Representatives Kolbe, Nadler and Pomeroy; former Senator Robert Dole of Kansas; and public witnesses.

DCI WRAP-UP

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Director of Central Intelligence Wrap-up. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

SECOND SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House.

The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 27 through February 28, 1998

	<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Days in session	39	29	..
Time in session	286 hrs., 47'	202 hrs., 18'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	2,878	1,854	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	536	..
Public bills enacted into law	6	5	11
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	..	..
Bills in conference	1	3	..
Measures passed, total	38	107	145
Senate bills	4	12	..
House bills	4	45	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	1	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	4	..	..
House concurrent resolutions	3	6	..
Simple resolutions	23	43	..
Measures reported, total	26	67	93
Senate bills	12	..	..
House bills	4	39	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	3	..	..
House concurrent resolutions .....	..	2	..
Simple resolutions	7	26	..
Special reports	3	1	..
Conference reports .....	..	1	..
Measures pending on calendar	132	41	..
Measures introduced, total	389	662	1,051
Bills	326	526	..
Joint resolutions	4	9	..
Concurrent resolutions	17	56	..
Simple resolutions	42	71	..
Quorum calls	1	4	..
Yea-and-nay votes	52	46	..
Recorded votes .....	..	39	..
Bills vetoed .....	..	..	..
Veto overridden	1	1	..

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 27 through March 31, 1998

Civilian nominations, totaling 204 (including 124 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	35
Unconfirmed	159
Withdrawn	10
Civilian nominations (FS, PHS, CG, NOAA), totaling 482 (including 86 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	180
Unconfirmed	302
Air Force nominations, totaling 1,421 (including 21 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,376
Unconfirmed	45
Army nominations, totaling 1,231 (including 2 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	723
Unconfirmed	508
Navy nominations, totaling 74 (including 4 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	62
Unconfirmed	12
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 876, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	873
Unconfirmed	3
<i>Summary</i>	
Total nominations carried over from the First Session	237
Total nominations received this session	4,051
Total confirmed	3,371
Total unconfirmed	907
Total withdrawn	10

*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 14 reports have been filed in the Senate, a total of 69 reports have been filed in the House.

Thursday, April 2, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Twenty-six bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1905–1930, S. Res. 206–209, and S. Con. Res. 88. **Page 5882**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1609, to amend the High-Performance Computing Act of 1991 to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1999 and 2000 for the Next Generation Internet program, to require the Advisory Committee on High-Performance Computing and Communications, Information Technology, and the Next Generation Internet to monitor and give advice concerning the development and implementation of the Next Generation Internet program and report to the President and the Congress in its activities. (S. Rept. No. 105–173)

S. Res. 201, to commemorate and acknowledge the dedication and sacrifice made by the men and women who have lost their lives while serving as law enforcement officers.

S. 1723, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to assist the United States to remain competitive by increasing the access of the United States firms and institutions of higher education to skilled personnel and by expanding educational and training opportunities for American students and workers, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 5882**

Measures Passed:

Appropriations 302 Allocations: Senate agreed to S. Res. 209, providing section 302 allocations to the Committee on Appropriations. **Page 5870**

ISTEA Authorization: Pursuant to the order of March 12, 1998, Senate passed H.R. 2400, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 1173, as amended, insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees: from the Committee on Environment and Public Works: Senators Chafee, Warner, Smith (of New Hampshire), Kempthorne, Inhofe, Thomas, Bond, Hutchinson, Allard, Sessions, Baucus, Moynihan, Lautenberg, Reid, Graham, Lieberman, Boxer, and Wyden; from the Committee on Finance: Senators Roth, Grassley, Hatch, Breaux, and Conrad; from the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Senators D'Amato, Gramm, Shelby, Sarbanes, and Dodd; from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:

Senators McCain, Stevens, and Hollings; and from the Committee on the Budget: Senators Domenici, Nickles, and Murray. **Page 5946**

Subsequently, S. 1173 was returned to the Senate calendar. **Page 5946**

Child Support Performance and Incentive Act: Committee on Finance was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 3130, to provide for an alternative penalty procedure for States that fail to meet Federal child support data processing requirements, to reform Federal incentive payments for effective child support performance, and to provide for a more flexible penalty procedure for States that violate interjurisdictional adoption requirements, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto, as follows:

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Collins (for Roth) Amendment No. 2286, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 5949**

Year 2000 Technology: Senate agreed to S. Res. 208, to establish a special committee of the Senate to address the year 2000 technology problem. **Page 5951**

Congressional Budget: By 57 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. 84), Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 86, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal years 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, and 2003 and revising the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1998, after taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 5782, 5790**

Adopted:

Dorgan Modified Amendment No. 2218, to strike section 301 of the concurrent resolution, which expresses the sense of Congress regarding the sunset of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and replace it with a section expressing the sense of Congress that important tax incentives such as those for encouraging home ownership and charitable giving should be retained. **Page 5790**

By 59 yeas to 40 nays (Vote No. 62), Hutchinson Amendment No. 2279 (to Amendment No. 2218), to express the sense of the Senate regarding passage of an IRS restructuring bill that provides real relief for taxpayers and provide appropriate oversight as well as to express the sense of the Senate that the tax code should be terminated. **Page 5791**

Dorgan Amendment No. 2280 (to Amendment 2218), to strike section 301 of the concurrent resolution, which expresses the sense of the Congress regarding the sunset of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and replace it with a section expressing the sense of Congress that important tax incentives such as those for encouraging home ownership and charitable giving should be retained. (By 1 yea to 98 nays (Vote No. 63), Senate failed to table the amendment.) **Page 5792**

By 97 yeas to 2 nays (Vote No. 66), Bond/Mikulski Modified Amendment No. 2213, to express the sense of

the Senate that the Elderly Housing program shall be funded at not less than the fiscal year 1998 funding level.

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Domenici (for Stevens) Modified Amendment No. 2253, to express the sense of the Senate regarding outlay estimates of the Department of Defense budget.

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Wellstone/Moynihan Amendment No. 2187, to express the sense of the Senate regarding a report of the Secretary of Health and Human Services evaluating the outcomes of welfare reform.

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Lautenberg (for Kohl/Reid) Modified Amendment No. 2204, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the establishment of a national background check system for long-term care workers.

Pages 5821, 5853

Lautenberg (for Torricelli/Jeffords) Amendment No. 2212, to express the sense of the Senate on battlefield preservation.

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Murray Modified Amendment No. 2217, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the expansion of Medicare benefits.

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Domenici (for DeWine) Amendment No. 2225, to state the sense of the Senate regarding the quality of teachers.

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Lautenberg (for Feinstein) Amendment No. 2229, to express the sense of the Senate on education goals.

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Lautenberg (for Biden) Amendment No. 2233, to provide for the Senate's support for Federal, State and local law enforcement.

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Lautenberg (for Bingaman/Lieberman) Amendment No. 2235, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the analysis of civilian science and technology expenditures in the budget.

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Lautenberg (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 2236, to express the sense of the Senate regarding long-term civilian science and technology budget trends.

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Lautenberg (for Kerrey) Amendment No. 2237, to express the sense of the Senate on long-term Federal budgeting and the repayment of the public debt.

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Lautenberg (for Moseley-Braun) Amendment No. 2239, to express the sense of the Senate that the President should submit a generational study with the budget request.

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Lautenberg (for Moseley-Braun) Amendment No. 2240, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the value of the social security system for future retirees.

Pages 5821, 5854

Lautenberg (for Torricelli) Amendment No. 2246, to express the sense of the Senate on the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

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Domenici (for Bond) Amendment No. 2248, to express the sense of the Senate regarding Immigration and Naturalization Service circuit rides in the former Soviet Union.

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Domenici (for Thurmond) Amendment No. 2250, to express the sense of the Senate regarding long-term care needs.

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Domenici (for Frist) Amendment No. 2258, to express the sense of the Senate regarding funding for the Airport Improvement Program.

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Domenici (for Santorum) Amendment No. 2263, to express the sense of the Senate regarding reauthorization of the Farmland Protection Program.

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Domenici (for Santorum) Amendment No. 2264, to express the sense of the Senate concerning health care quality for participants in the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program.

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Domenici (for Gramm) Amendment No. 2266, to extend the Violent Crime Reduction Trust Fund.

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Domenici (for Coverdell) Amendment No. 2269, to express the sense of the Senate regarding wasteful spending in Defense Department acquisition practices.

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Domenici (for Coverdell/Kyl) Amendment No. 2270, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the United States response to the changing nature of terrorism.

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Conrad (for Boxer) Modified Amendment No. 2176, to increase Function 500 discretionary budget authority and outlays to accommodate an initiative promoting after-school education and safety.

Pages 5800, 5827

By 52 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 68), Brownback Amendment No. 2177, to express the sense of the Senate regarding economic growth, social security, and Government efficiency.

Pages 5797, 5836

By 50 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 71), Kyl Amendment No. 2221, to express the sense of the Senate supporting a supermajority requirement for raising taxes.

Pages 5833, 5837

By a unanimous vote of 98 yeas (Vote No. 72), Nickles Amendment No. 2282, to express the sense of the Senate concerning health care quality.

Pages 5809, 5838

By 53 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 74), Domenici (for Hutchison) Amendment No. 2208, to express the sense of the Senate that any budget surplus should be dedicated to debt reduction or direct tax relief for hard-working American families.

Pages 5825, 5839

By a unanimous vote of 98 yeas (Vote No. 75), Rockefeller Amendment No. 2284 (to Amendment No. 2283), of a perfecting nature.

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Lautenberg (for Rockefeller) Amendment No. 2226, to revise outlays and new budget authority for transportation (400) programs and allowances (920), and to strike those provisions with regard to outlays and new budget authority for programs of function 700, Veterans Benefits and Services.

Pages 5828, 5839

By 52 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 76), Domenici Amendment No. 2283 (to Amendment No. 2226), in the nature of a substitute.

Pages 5831, 5840

By 50 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 77), Domenici (for Grams) Amendment No. 2222, to use any budget surplus to reduce payroll tax and establish person retirement accounts for hard-working Americans. **Page 5841**

Domenici (for Coverdell) Amendment No. 2262, to express the sense of the Senate on the procurement of Blackhawk utility helicopters for Colombia to reduce illicit drug trafficking. **Page 5842**

Wellstone Modified Amendment No. 2188, to provide additional funds for medical care for veterans. **Page 5843**

Reid/Bryan Amendment No. 2206, to express the sense of the Senate that the landowner incentive program included in the Endangered Species Recovery Act should be financed from a dedicated source of funding and that public lands should not be sold to fund the landowner incentive program of the Endangered Species Recovery Act. **Page 5844**

By 55 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 79), Kempthorne Amendment No. 2285 (to Amendment No. 2206), to recognize potential alternative funding sources for landowner incentives under the Endangered Species Recovery Act. **Page 5845**

Smith (Oregon) Amendment No. 2180, to express the sense of the Senate with respect to the use of marijuana for medicinal purposes. **Page 5851**

Lautenberg (for Moseley-Braun) Amendment No. 2238, to express the sense of the Senate regarding tax legislation that increases the complexity of any tax return. **Page 5851**

Lautenberg Amendment No. 2243, to express the sense of the Senate that the Congress and the Administration should fulfill the intent of the Amtrak Reform and Accountability Act of 1997 and appropriate sufficient funds in each of the next five years to enable Amtrak to implement its Strategic Business Plan, while preserving the integrity of the \$2.2 billion provided under the Taxpayer Relief Act for the statutory purpose of capital investment. **Page 5851**

Domenici (for Sessions) Modified Amendment No. 2252, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the display of the Ten Commandments by a judge on the circuit court of the State of Alabama. **Page 5851**

Domenici (for Kempthorne) Amendment No. 2265, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the Market Access Program. **Page 5851**

Domenici (for Coverdell/Dodd) Amendment No. 2271, to express the sense of the Senate regarding a multinational alliance against drug trafficking. **Page 5851**

Domenici (for Mack) Amendment No. 2272, to express the sense of the Senate regarding funding of the National Institutes of Health. **Page 5851**

Rejected:

Bumpers Amendment No. 2228, to provide funding to assist states in complying with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. (By 55 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. 67), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages 5784, 5796**

Domenici (for Specter) Modified Amendment No. 2254, to increase the Federal investment in biomedical research. (By 57 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. 70), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages 5802, 5837**

Kennedy Amendment No. 2184, to increase Function 500 discretionary budget authority and outlays to support innovative education reform efforts in urban and rural school districts. (By 54 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. 78), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Page 5842**

Murray Amendment No. 2216, to increase Function 500 discretionary budget authority and outlays to accommodate both Administration investments in education and the \$2.5 billion increase assumed by the resolution for IDEA. (By 55 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 81), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Page 5846**

Lautenberg (for Boxer) Amendment No. 2234, to expand the uses of the tobacco reserve fund to include funding for health research, including the National Institutes of Health. **Page 5850**

Dorgan Amendment No. 2219, to establish a reserve fund for health research at the National Institutes of Health, funded by receipts from tobacco legislation. **Page 5853**

Withdrawn:

Thurmond Amendment No. 2191, to clarify outlay levels for major functional categories. **Page 5797**

Thurmond Amendment No. 2192, to clarify outlay levels for national defense. **Page 5797**

Kennedy Amendment No. 2281 (to Amendment No. 2183), of a perfecting nature. **Pages 5808, 5811**

Kennedy Amendment No. 2183, to express the sense of the Senate concerning the enactment of a patient's bill of rights. (By 51 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 73), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages 5804, 5838**

Kennedy Amendment No. 2185, to express the sense of the Congress regarding additional budget authority for the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. **Page 5843**

Biden Amendment No. 2220, to permit the use of Federal tobacco funds to reimburse the Veterans Administration for the costs of treating smoking-related illnesses. **Page 5849**

Lautenberg (for Kerry) Amendment No. 2230, to ensure that tobacco reserve fund in the resolution protects public health. **Page 5850**

Smith (Oregon) Amendment No. 2179, to express the sense of the Senate on Social Security taxes. **Page 5853**

Smith (Oregon) Amendment No. 2181, to express the sense of the Senate concerning increases in the prices of tobacco products. **Page 5853**

Wellstone Modified Amendment No. 2186, to provide a reserve fund to pay for increased Pell Grants by reducing or eliminating corporate welfare tax expenditures. **Page 5853**

Lautenberg Amendment No. 2194, to express the sense of the Senate to ensure that the tobacco reserve fund in the resolution may be used to protect the public health.

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Kerrey Amendment No. 2215, to express the sense of the Senate regarding passage of the IRS Restructuring and Reform Act of 1997.

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Bingaman/Lieberman Amendment No. 2223, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund for civilian research and development.

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Lautenberg (for Conrad) Amendment No. 2227, to ensure that the tobacco reserve fund in the resolution may be used to strengthen social security.

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Lautenberg (for Wellstone) Amendment No. 2231, to express the sense of the Senate supporting additional funding for fiscal year 1999 for medical care for veterans.

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Lautenberg (for Durbin) Amendment No. 2241, to express the sense of Congress regarding the right to affordable, high-quality health care for seniors.

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Lautenberg (for Dorgan) Amendment No. 2242, to express the sense of the Senate on ensuring social security solvency.

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Lautenberg (for Torricelli) Amendment No. 2245, to express the sense of the Senate on battlefield preservation.

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Lautenberg (for Moynihan) Amendment No. 2247, to express the sense of the Senate that the Committee on Finance should consider legislation to preserve social security and ensure its long-run solvency; and that no policy options, affecting either outlays, revenues, or the manner of investment of funds, should be excluded from consideration.

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Domenici (for Abraham) Amendment No. 2249, to express the sense of Congress that the Budget Act should be amended to facilitate the use of future unified budget surpluses to strengthen and reform social security, reform the tax code, and reduce the tax burden on middle-class families.

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Domenici (for Specter) Amendment No. 2255, to modify the tobacco reserve fund to allow up to \$10.5 billion to be spent on post-service smoking related Veterans compensation benefits.

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Domenici (for Specter) Amendment No. 2256, relating to the distribution of certain receipts from tobacco legislation.

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Domenici (for McConnell) Amendment No. 2259, to express the sense of the Congress that the award of attorneys' fees, costs, and sanctions of those amounts ordered by U.S. District Judge Royce C. Lamberth on December 18, 1997, should not be paid with taxpayer funds.

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Domenici (for Sessions) Amendment No. 2260, to express the sense of the Senate regarding limitations on attorneys' fees under any global tobacco settlement.

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Domenici (for Craig) Amendment No. 2261, to express the sense of the Senate on the eligibility of individuals suffering from post-service smoking-related illnesses for VA compensation.

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Domenici (for Coverdell) Amendment No. 2267, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the Department of Justice's pursuit of Medicare fraud and abuse.

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Domenici (for Coverdell) Amendment No. 2268, to express the sense of the Senate regarding national response to the threat of illegal drugs.

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Domenici (for Hatch) Amendment No. 2273, to assume that the use of the tobacco reserve fund is consistent with tobacco legislation approved by the Senate.

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Domenici (for Sessions) Amendment No. 2274, to express the sense of the Senate regarding limitations on attorneys' fees under any global tobacco settlement.

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During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

Three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected motions to waive certain provisions of the Congressional Budget Act with respect to consideration of the following amendments:

By 53 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 64), Allard Amendment No. 2170, to require the reduction of the deficit, a balanced Federal budget, and the repayment of the national debt.

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By 47 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 65), Lautenberg Amendment No. 2195, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund for environmental and natural resources.

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By 42 yeas to 55 nays (Vote No. 69), Lautenberg (for Daschle) Amendment No. 2244, in the nature of a substitute.

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By 59 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 80), Domenici (for Nickles) Amendment No. 2257, to establish a prohibition on precatory language on budget resolutions.

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By 47 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 82) Feingold Amendment No. 2224, to establish a disability reserve fund.

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By 31 yeas to 67 nays (Vote No. 83), Lautenberg (for Robb) Amendment No. 2232, to ensure that the tobacco reserve fund in the resolution protects tobacco farmers.

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Subsequently, a point of order that the amendments were violations of the Congressional Budget Act was sustained, and the amendments thus fell.

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5846, 5850

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that when the Senate receives the House companion resolution, all after the resolving clause be stricken, the text of S. Con. Res. 86, as amended, be inserted in lieu there-

of, that the House concurrent resolution be agreed to, the Senate insist on its amendment, request a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate. **Page 5869**

Authorities: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that, notwithstanding the adjournment of the Senate, the President of the Senate, the President of the Senate pro tempore, and the majority and minority leaders be authorized to make appointments to commission, committees, boards, conferences, or interparliamentary conferences authorized by law, by concurrent action of the two Houses, or by order of the Senate. **Page 5946**

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed for the following treaty:

Treaty with Israel on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters. (Treaty Doc. 105-40)

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and was ordered to be printed. **Page 5946**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 98 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 61 EX), G. Patrick Murphy, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois. **Pages 5787, 5955**

Michael P. McCuskey, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of Illinois. **Pages 5790, 5955**

Thomas J. Umberg, of California, to be Deputy Director for Supply Reduction, Office of National Drug Control Policy.

Kermit Lipez, of Maine, to be United States Circuit Judge for the First Circuit.

Richard M. McGahey, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor.

John Charles Horsley, of Washington, to be Associate Deputy Secretary of Transportation.

Robert J. Shapiro, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Economic Affairs.

Elaine D. Kaplan, of the District of Columbia, to be Special Counsel, Office of Special Counsel, for the term of five years.

Robert T. Dawson, of Arkansas, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Arkansas.

Johnnie B. Rawlinson, of Nevada, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nevada.

Melvin R. Wright, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

Ruth Y. Goldway, of California, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Rate Commission for a term expiring November 22, 2002. **Pages 5946, 5955**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Ralph E. Tyson, of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Louisiana.

Bernard Daniel Rostker, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Frank E. Loy, of the District of Columbia, to be an Under Secretary of State.

Eric S. Edelman, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Finland.

Nancy Halliday Ely-Raphel, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Slovenia.

Richard Nelson Swett, of New Hampshire, to be Ambassador to Denmark.

Edward L. Romero, of New Mexico, to be Ambassador to Spain.

Rita R. Colwell, of Maryland, to be Director of the National Science Foundation for a term of six years.

Rosina M. Bierbaum, of Virginia, to be an Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy.

Diane D. Blair, of Arkansas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2004.

Jeanne E. Scott, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of Illinois.

John C. Truesdale, of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the National Labor Relations Board for a term of four years.

Routine lists in the Air Force and Army. **Page 5952**

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Record Votes: Twenty-five record votes were taken today. (Total—85) **Pages 5789, 5792, 5793, 5794, 5796, 5797, 5836, 5837, 5838, 5839, 5840, 5841, 5842, 5845, 5846, 5849, 5850, 5851, 5870**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 8:30 a.m., and adjourned at 10:54 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Friday, April 3, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 5952.)

Committee Meetings

ANIMAL WASTE MANAGEMENT

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1323, to regulate concentrated animal feeding operations for the protection of the environment and public health, after receiving testimony

from Robert Perciasepe, Assistant Administrator for Water, Environmental Protection Agency; Craig Cox, Acting Deputy Under Secretary of Agriculture for Natural Resources and Environment; Maryland Governor Parris N. Glendening, Annapolis; Mayor M. Susan Savage, Tulsa, Oklahoma; Patrick A. Takasugi, Idaho State Department of Agriculture, Boise; C. Dewey Botts, North Carolina Department of Environmental and Natural Resources, Raleigh; Michelle B. Nowlin, Southern Environmental Law Center, Chapel Hill, North Carolina; Jim Moseley, Infinity Pork and AgRidge Farms, Clarks Hill, Indiana, on behalf of the National Pork Producers Council; Harry Knobee, West Point, Nebraska, on behalf of the National Cattlemen's Beef Association; and Tim Maupin, Rocco, Inc., Harrisonburg, Virginia, on behalf of the National Turkey Federation and the National Broiler Council.

CREDIT UNION MEMBERSHIP

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine implications of the recent Supreme Court decision concerning credit union membership, after receiving testimony from Representatives LaTourette and Kanjorski; Michael S. Vadala, Summit Federal Credit Union, Rochester, New York, on behalf of the National Association of Federal Credit Unions; Peggy Lents, Azalea City Credit Union, Mobile, Alabama, on behalf of the Credit Union National Association; K. Reid Pollard, Randolph Bank and Trust Company, Asheboro, North Carolina, on behalf of the Independent Bankers Association of America; Neil Mahoney, Woronoco Savings Bank, Westfield, Massachusetts, on behalf of the America's Community Bankers; and Scott Jones, Goodhue County National Bank, Red Wing, Minnesota, on behalf of the American Bankers Association.

PUERTO RICO

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee met to discuss the political status in Puerto Rico, focusing on S. 472, to provide for referenda in which the residents of Puerto Rico may express democratically their preferences regarding the political status of the territory, and H.R. 856, to provide a process leading to full self-government for Puerto Rico, after receiving testimony from Governor Pedro Rossello, former Governor Luis A. Ferre, on behalf of the New Progressive Party, Ruben Berrios Martinez, Independence Party, and Anibal Acevedo Vila, Popular Democratic Party, all of San Juan, Puerto Rico.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nominations of Ivan L.R. Lemelle, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana, A. Howard Matz, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, George Caram Steeh, III and Arthur J. Tarnow, each to be a United States Dis-

trict Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan, Richard H. Deane, Jr., to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Georgia, and Stephen C. Robinson, to be United States Attorney for the District of Connecticut, and Daniel C. Byrne, to be the United States Marshal for the Eastern District of New York;

S. 1723, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to assist the United States to remain competitive by increasing the access of the United States firms and institutions of higher education to skilled personnel and by expanding educational and training opportunities for American students and workers, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. Res. 201, to commemorate and acknowledge the dedication and sacrifice made by the men and women who have lost their lives while serving as law enforcement officers.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts approved for full committee consideration the following bills:

S. 1301, to amend title 11, United States Code, to provide for consumer bankruptcy protection, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 1352, to amend Rule 30 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure to restore the stenographic preference for depositions, with an amendment.

CHLOROFLUOROCARBON PROPELLANTS

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee concluded hearings to examine the Federal role in the implementation of Title VI of the Clean Air Act as it relates to the use of chlorofluorocarbons (CFC) in metered-dose inhalers (MDI), and an Advance Notice of Proposed Rule-making to phase out essential-use exemptions for CFC-based MDIs, after receiving testimony from John Jenkins, Director, Pulmonary Drug Products Division, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Paul Stolopman, Director, Office of Atmospheric Programs, Environmental Protection Agency; Sharon Hipkins, Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America, Washington, D.C.; Nancy Sander, Allergy and Asthma Network/Mothers of Asthmatics, Inc., Fairfax, Virginia; Henry L. Dorkin, New England Medical Center, Boston, Massachusetts, on behalf of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation; Brian Dunkiel, Friends of the Earth, Burlington, Vermont; and Dennis M. Williams, University of North Carolina School of Pharmacy, Chapel Hill, on behalf of the American Pharmaceutical Association.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will next meet on Tuesday, April 21.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Twenty-seven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1931–1957, and S. Con. Res. 89. **Page 6016**

Measures Passed:

Virginia Land Conveyance: Senate passed H.R. 3226, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain lands and improvements in the State of Virginia, clearing the bill for the President. **Page 6035**

Aviation Medical Assistance: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 2843, to direct the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to reevaluate the equipment in medical kits carried on, and to make a decision regarding requiring automatic external defibrillators to be carried on, aircraft operated by air carriers, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 6036**

Ocean Shipping Reform Act: Senate began consideration of S. 414, to amend the Shipping Act of 1984 to encourage competition in international shipping and growth of United States imports and exports, with a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 5990, 6012**

Pending:

Hutchison Amendment No. 1689, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 5996**

Gorton Amendment No. 2287 (to Amendment No. 1689), to provide rules for the application of the Act to intermediaries. **Page 5997**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and pending amendments on Tuesday, April 21, 1998, with votes to occur thereon. **Page 6013**

Iran Sanctions—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of H.R. 2709, to impose certain sanctions on foreign persons who transfer items contributing to Iran's efforts to acquire, develop, or produce ballistic missiles, and to implement the obligations of the United States under the Chemical Weapons Convention. **Page 6035**

Authority for Committees: All committees were authorized to file executive and legislative reports during the adjournment of the Senate on Tuesday, April 14, 1998, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. **Page 6036**

Appointments:

National Health Museum Commission: The Chair, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law 105–78, appointed Dr. Robert C. Talley, of South Dakota, as a member of the National Health Museum Commission. **Page 6036**

Special Committee on the Year 2000 Technology Problem: The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, and upon the recommendation of the Majority Leader, pursuant to the provisions of S. Res. 208 of the 105th Congress, appointed Senator Bennett as Chairman of the Special Committee on the Year 2000 Technology Problem. **Page 6035**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Sophia H. Hall, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute for a term expiring September 17, 2000.

Ivan L. R. Lemelle, of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana.

Katherine L. Archuleta, of Colorado, to be a Member of the Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development for the remainder of the term expiring May 19, 2000.

Rebecca T. Bingham, of Kentucky, to be a Member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science for a term expiring July 19, 2001.

Martha B. Gould, of Nevada, to be a Member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science for a term expiring July 19, 2002.

Richard H. Deane, Jr., of Georgia, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Georgia for the term of four years.

Daniel C. Byrne, of New York, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of New York for the term of four years.

Arthur Levitt, Jr., of New York, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission for the term expiring June 5, 2003.

Stephen C. Robinson, of Connecticut, to be United States Attorney for the District of Connecticut for the term of four years. **Page 6036**

Statements on Introduced Bills: **Page 6017**

Additional Cosponsors:	Page 6021
Amendments Submitted:	Page 6022
Additional Statements:	Page 6022
Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and, in accordance with H. Con. Res. 257, adjourned at 2:18 p.m., until 11 a.m., on Monday, April 20, 1998.	

Committee Meetings

NOMINATION

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: On Thursday, April 2, committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Arthur Levitt Jr., of New York, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, and to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:	Page 6048
Adopted:	
Coverdell (for D'Amato) Amendment No. 2290 (to Amendment No. 2288), of a perfecting nature.	Pages 6068, 6074
Pending:	
Mack/D'Amato Amendment No. 2288, to provide incentives for States to establish and administer periodic teacher testing and merit pay programs for elementary and secondary school teachers.	Pages 6053, 6067, 6074
Glenn Amendment No. 2017, to delete education IRA expenditures for elementary and secondary school expenses.	Page 6055
Kennedy Amendment No. 2289, to authorize funds to provide an additional 100,000 elementary and secondary school teachers annually to the national pool of such teachers during the 10-year period beginning with 1999 through a new student loan forgiveness program.	Page 6060

Coverdell (for Hutchison) Amendment No. 2291, to establish education reform projects that provide same gender schools and classrooms, as long as comparable educational opportunities are offered for students of both sexes.	Page 6069
A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and amendments pending thereto, on Tuesday, April 21, 1998.	Page 6074
Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed for the following treaty: Treaty with Lithuania on Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters. (Treaty Doc. 105-41)	
The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and was ordered to be printed.	Page 6103

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:	
2 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.	
1 Army nomination in the rank of general.	
3 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.	
2 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.	Page 6104
Messages From the House:	Page 6092
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House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will next meet on Tuesday, April 21.

Committee Meetings

D.C. PUBLIC SCHOOLS—ACADEMIC PLAN

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on the District of Columbia held a hearing on Academic Plan for the District of Columbia Public Schools. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the District of Columbia: Kathleen Patterson, Member, City Council; Bruce MacLaury, Chairman, Public Schools Emergency Board of Trustees; Julius W. Becton, CEO and Superintendent, Public Schools; and Arlene Ackerman, Chief Academic Officer; Joyce Ladner, member, District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority; and public witnesses.

Monday, April 20, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6038-6104	
Measures Introduced: One bill and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1958 and S. Res. 210.	Page 6096
Education Savings Act for Public and Private Schools: Senate began consideration of H.R. 2646, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-	

Text of S. Con. Res. 86 as Previously Passed:

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 11 a.m., and adjourned at 5:36 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, April 21, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 6104.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session. It will next meet on Tuesday, April 21.

Committee Meetings

SSA FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: On April 17, the Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held a hearing on Financial Management Practices at the Social Security Administration. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the SSA: John R. Dyer, Acting Principle Deputy Commissioner; and David C. Williams, Inspector General.

DOD FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: On April 16, the Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held a hearing on Department of Defense Financial Management: Serious Problems Persist. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Eleanor Hill, Inspector General; and Nelson Toye, Deputy Chief Financial Officer; and Gene L. Dodaro, Assistant Comptroller General, Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO.

IRS OVERSIGHT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: On April 15, the Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held an oversight hearing on the Internal Revenue Service: The Commissioner Reports to Congress. Testimony was heard from Charles O. Rossotti, Commissioner, IRS, Department of the Treasury; Gene L. Dodaro, Assistant Comptroller General, Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO; and public witnesses.

Tuesday, April 21, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6109–79

Measures Introduced: Six bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1959–1964 and S. Res. 211.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 2766, to designate the United States Post Office located at 215 East Jackson Street in Painesville, Ohio, as the "Karl Bernal Post Office Building".

H.R. 2773, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3750 North Kedzie Avenue in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Daniel J. Doffyn Post Office Building".

H.R. 2836, to designate the building of the United States Postal Service located at 180 East Kellogg Boulevard in Saint Paul, Minnesota, as the "Eugene J. McCarthy Post Office Building".

H.R. 3120, to designate the United States Post Office located at 95 West 100 South Street in Provo, Utah, as the "Howard C. Nielson Post Office Building".

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Measures Passed:

Ocean Shipping Reform Act: Senate passed S. 414, to amend the Shipping Act of 1984 to encourage competition in international shipping and growth of United States exports, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

Hutchison Amendment No. 1689, in the nature of a substitute.

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Rejected:

Gorton Amendment No. 2287 (to Amendment No. 1689), to provide authority for non-vessel-operating common carriers who buy vessel space from vessel-operating common carriers to resell that space to shipper customers through confidential contracts. (By 72 yeas to 25 nays (Vote No. 85), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Death of Former Senator Sanford: Senate agreed to S. Res. 211, expressing the condolences of the Senate on the death of Honorable Terry Sanford, former United States Senator from North Carolina.

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Education Savings Act for Public and Private Schools: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 2646, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, and to increase the maximum annual amount of contribu-

tions to such accounts, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 6125, 6138**

Adopted:

By 63 yeas to 35 nays (Vote No. 88), Mack/D'Amato Amendment No. 2288, to provide incentives for States to establish and administer periodic teacher testing and merit pay programs for elementary and secondary school teachers. **Page 6139**

By 69 yeas to 29 nays (Vote No. 89), Coverdell (for Hutchison) Amendment No. 2291, to establish education reform projects that provide same gender schools and classrooms, as long as comparable educational opportunities are offered for students of both sexes. **Pages 6128, 6140**

Rejected:

Kennedy Amendment No. 2289, to authorize funds to provide an additional 100,000 elementary and secondary school teachers annually to the national pool of such teachers during the 10-year period beginning with 1999 through a new student loan forgiveness program. (By 56 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. 86), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Page 6126**

Glenn Amendment No. 2017, to delete education IRA expenditures for elementary and secondary school expenses. (By 60 yeas to 38 nays (Vote No. 87), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages 6132, 6138**

Moseley-Braun Amendment No. 2292, to expand the incentives for the construction and renovation of public schools. (By 56 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. 90), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Page 6144**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and certain amendments to be proposed thereto, on Wednesday, April 22, 1998. **Page 6177**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Neal F. Lane, of Oklahoma, to be Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy.

Henry L. Solano, of Colorado, to be Solicitor of the Department of Labor.

Jonathan H. Spalter, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Director of the United States Information Agency.

2 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

8 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, Navy, and Public Health Service. **Page 6178**

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Additional Cosponsors: **Page 6168**

Amendments Submitted: **Page 6169**

Notices of Hearings: **Page 6175**

Authority for Committees:

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Additional Statements:

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Record Votes: Six record votes were taken today. (Total—90) **Pages 6115, 6127, 6139, 6152**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:10 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, April 22, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 6178.)

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—FOREIGN ASSISTANCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for foreign assistance, focusing on international crime prevention programs, receiving testimony from Louis Freeh, Director, and Michael Pyszczmuka, Legal Attache (Kiev, Ukraine), both of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; and Gen. Ihor Smeshko, Center for Strategic Planning and Analysis, Kiev, Ukraine.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, April 23.

APPROPRIATIONS—GAO/BIA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the Interior and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999, receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respective activities from Victor S. Rezendes, Director of Energy, Resources and Science Issues, Sue Ellen Naiberk, Assistant Director, and Jennifer L. Duncan, Evaluator, all of the General Accounting Office; and Kevin Gover, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, April 23.

BREAST CANCER PREVENTION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies held hearings to examine the use of the drug Tamoxifen for the prevention and treatment of breast cancer, receiving testimony from Harold E. Varmus, Director, and Richard D. Klausner, Director, National Cancer Institute, both of the National Institutes of Health; Norman Wolmark, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and Helene Wilson, North Wales, Pennsylvania, both on behalf of the National Surgical Adjuvant Breast and Bowel Project (NSABP); and Cynthia Pearson, National Women's Health Network, Washington, D.C.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 1873, to state the policy of the United States regarding the deployment of a missile defense system ca-

pable of defending the territory of the United States against limited ballistic missile attack.

MARITIME AND AVIATION LIABILITY

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine concluded hearings on the following measures:

Proposed legislation to revise certain provisions with regard to the liability of ship owners for loss of and damage to cargo on the high seas as contained in the United States Carriage of Goods by Sea Act of 1936, after receiving testimony from Chester D. Hooper, Haight Gardner Holland & Knight, on behalf of the Maritime Law Association of the United States, and Walter M. Kramer, American Institute of Marine Underwriters, both of New York, New York; William J. Augello, Augello, Pezold & Hirschmann, Huntington, New York, on behalf of the National Industrial Transportation League; Jon Roethke, Sea-Land Service, Inc., Charlotte, North Carolina; and William M. Woodruff, Eastham, Watson, Dale and Forney, Houston, Texas, on behalf of the American Waterways Operators; and

S. 943 and H.R. 2005, bills to allow a dependent of a victim of an international aviation accident occurring on or after January 1, 1995, to sue for pecuniary loss, after receiving testimony from and Paul T. Hofmann, Cappiello Hofmann & Katz, New York, New York; Eric Danoff, Kaye, Rose & Partners, San Francisco, California; and John Sleavin, Portland, Oregon.

AGRICULTURE TRADE NEGOTIATIONS

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on International Trade held hearings to examine certain issues in preparation for the next round of multilateral agricultural trade negotiations scheduled for May 18–20, 1999 in Geneva, focusing on barriers to United States farm exports, receiving testimony from Senator Brownback; Peter Scher, Special Trade Negotiator for Agriculture, Office of the United States Trade Representative; August Schumacher, Jr., Under Secretary of Agriculture for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services; William B. Campbell, Central Soya, Inc., Fort Wayne, Indiana, on behalf of the National Oilseed Processors Association; Charles S. Johnson, Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc., Des Moines, Iowa; Dean Kleckner, American Farm Bureau Federation, Park Ridge, Illinois; Carl Peterson, Agri-Mark, Inc., Delanson, New York, on behalf of the Council of Northeast Farmer Cooperatives; and Ann M. Veneman, California Department of Food and Agriculture, Sacramento.

Committee recessed subject to call.

VETERANS HEALTH CARE

Committee on Veterans Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine the health effects of ionizing radiations on veterans, and related measures S. 1385, to expand the list of diseases presumed to be service connected with respect to radiation-exposed veterans, and S. 1822, to au-

thorize provision of care to veterans treated with nasopharyngeal radium irradiation, after receiving testimony from Kenneth W. Kizer, Under Secretary for Health, Joseph Thompson, Under Secretary for Benefits, John Thompson, Acting General Counsel, all of the Department of Veterans Affairs; Joan Ma Pierre, Director for Electronics and Systems, Defense Special Weapons Agency, Department of Defense; Capt. Richard L. LaFontaine, Medical Service Corps, United States Navy; Richard B. Setlow, Brookhaven National Laboratory, Upton, New York; Rosalie Bertell, International Institute of Concern for Public Health, Toronto, Canada; William J. Brady, former Prime Support Contractor to the Department of Energy at the Nevada Test Site, Las Vegas; Otto G. Raabe, University of California, Davis, on behalf of the Health Physics Society; Tidoro A. Garcia, Las Cruces, New Mexico, on behalf of the National Association of Atomic Veterans; James Garrity, Branford, Florida, on behalf of the Submarine Survivors Group; and former Mayor Albert G. Parrish, Hackensack, Minnesota, on behalf of the Forgotten 216th.

CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS THREAT

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in a closed joint session with the Committee on the Judiciary's Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information to receive a briefing from officials of the intelligence community on chemical and biological weapons threats to America.

Committees will meet again tomorrow.

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Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 9 public bills, H.R. 3693–3701 were introduced. Page 6242

Reports Filed:

H.R. 6, to extend the authorization of programs under the Higher Education Act of 1965, amended (H. Rept. 105–481);

H.R. 755, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow individuals to designate any portion of their income tax overpayments, and to make other contributions, for the benefit of units of the National Park System, amended (H. Rept. 105–482, Part 1);

H.R. 2376, to reauthorize and amend the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act, amended (H. Rept. 105–483);

H.R. 1522, to extend the authorization for the National Historic Preservation Fund, amended (H. Rept. 105–484);

H.R. 3164, to describe the hydrographic services functions of the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, amended (H. Rept. 105-485);

H.R. 3565, to amend Part L of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (H. Rept. 105-486);

H.R. 3528, to amend title 28, United States Code, with respect to the use of alternative dispute resolution processes in United States district courts, amended (H. Rept. 105-487); and

H. Res. 407, providing for consideration of H.J. Res. 111, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States with respect to tax limitations (H. Rept. 105-488). **Page 6241**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Nethercutt to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 6180**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:54 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m. **Page 6183**

Capitol Preservation Commission Appointments: Pursuant to the provisions of section 801 of Public Law 100-696, appointments to the Capitol Preservation Commission were announced as follows: by the Speaker, Representative Davis of Virginia; by the Minority Leader, Representative Serrano of New York; and by the Chairman of the Committee on House Oversight for the position reserved for the Chairman of the Joint Committee on the Library, Representative Mica of Florida. **Page 6183**

National Health Museum Commission: Read a letter from the Minority Leader wherein he appointed Dr. H. Richard Nesson, M.D. of Brookline, Massachusetts to the National Health Museum Commission. **Page 6183**

Suspensions: the House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Care for Police Survivors: H.R. 3565, to amend Part L of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (passed by a yea and nay vote of 403 yeas to 8 nays, Roll No. 100); **Pages 6186, 6196**

Alternative Dispute Resolution: H.R. 3528, amended, to amend title 28, United States Code, with respect to the use of alternative dispute resolution processes in United States district courts, amended (passed by a yea and nay vote of 405 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 101); and **Pages 6187, 6197**

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Reauthorization Act. H.R. 2691, amended, to reauthorize and improve the operations of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. **Page 6191**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:56 p.m. and reconvened at 5:00 p.m. **Page 6193**

Private Calendar: On the call of the Private Calendar the House passed H.R. 2729, for the private relief of

Ruth Hairston by waiver of a filing deadline for appeal from a ruling relating to her application for a survivor annuity. **Page 6193**

Members Sworn: Representatives-elect Mary Bono and Barbara Lee presented themselves in the well of the House and were administered the oath of office by the Speaker. **Page 6195**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page 6180.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 6243.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One quorum call (Roll No. 99) and two yea and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 6194, 6197, and 6198.

Adjournment: Met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 10:47 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on Inspector General Panel—Year 2000 Problem, Year 2000 Management Panel, the Railroad Retirement Board and the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Labor: Patricia W. Lattimore, Assistant Secretary, Administration and Management; and Charles C. Masten, Inspector General; the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: John Callahan, Assistant Secretary, Management and Budget, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Information Officer; and Thomas D. Roslewicz, Deputy Inspector General, Audit Services; the following officials of the Department of Education: Marshall S. Smith, Acting Deputy Secretary; and John P. Higgins, Jr., Acting Inspector General; the following officials of the SSA: John R. Dyer, Principal Deputy Commissioner; and David C. Williams, Inspector General; the following officials of the Railroad Retirement Board: Martin J. Dickman, Inspector General; Robert T. Rose, Chief Information Officer; Jerome F. Kever, Management Member; and V.M. Speakman, Jr., Labor Member; and Gail Wilensky, Chairman, Medicare Payment Advisory Commission.

VA-HUD-AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

IMF OPERATIONS

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on General Oversight and Investigations held a hearing

to review the Operations of the International Monetary Fund. Testimony was heard from Karin Lissakers, U.S. Executive Director, International Monetary Fund; Timothy S. Geithner, Assistant Secretary, International Affairs, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

MIGRANT AND SEASONAL AGRICULTURAL WORKER PROTECTION ACT—EFFECT OF FLSA ON AMISH

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a hearing on Issues under the Migrant and Seasonal Agricultural Worker Protection Act, and the Effect of the Fair Labor Standards Act on Amish Families, including discussion of H.R. 2038, MSPA Clarification Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Representatives Pitts and Canady; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—INSPECTOR GENERAL ACT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held an oversight hearing on the Inspector General Act of 1978: Twenty Years After Passage, Are The Inspectors General Fulfilling Their Mission? Testimony was heard from Senator Collins; David L. Clark, Director, Audit Oversight and Liaison Group, Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO; Eleanor Hill, Inspector General, Department of Defense and Vice Chairman, President's Council on Integrity and Efficiency; June Gibbs Brown, Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services; Susan M. Gaffney, Inspector General, Department of Housing and Urban Development; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—IMMIGRATION AND AMERICA'S WORKFORCE FOR 21ST CENTURY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims held an oversight hearing on Immigration and America's Workforce for the 21st Century. Testimony was heard from John Fraser, Acting Administrator, Wage and Hour Division, Employment Standards Administration, Department of Labor; Carlotta Joyner, Director, Education and Employment Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, GAO; and public witnesses.

TAX LIMITATION CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule providing for consideration of H.J. Res. 111, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States with respect to tax limitations. The rule provides that the amendment specified in the report of the Committee on Rules will be considered as adopted. The rule provides 3 hours of debate equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule provides one mo-

tion to amend if offered by the Minority Leader or his designee, which will be considered as read, and which will be debatable for one hour equally divided between the proponent and an opponent. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Smith of Texas, Barton of Texas and Shadegg.

SSI FRAUD AND ABUSE

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing on Supplemental Security Income (SSI) fraud and abuse. Testimony was heard from Representative Herger; the following officials of the SSA: John Dyer, Acting Principle Deputy Commissioner; and David C. Williams, Inspector General; Cynthia Fagnoni, Director, Income Security Issues, GAO; and a public witness.

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Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6266–6361

Measures Introduced: Six bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1965–1970, and S. Res. 212–214. **Page 6321**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 2676, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–174) **Page 6321**

Measures Passed:

Congratulating the U.S. Army Reserve: Senate agreed to S. Res. 213, congratulating the United States Army Reserve on its 90th anniversary and recognizing the important contributions of Strom Thurmond, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, who served with distinction in the United States Army Reserve for 36 years. **Page 6358**

Commending the Grand Forks Herald: Senate agreed to S. Res. 214, commending the Grand Forks Herald for its public service to the Grand Forks area and receipt of a Pulitzer Prize. **Page 6359**

Education Savings Act for Public and Private Schools: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 2646, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, and to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 6266, 6302, 6318**

Adopted:

Frist Amendment No. 2294 (to Amendment No. 2293), in the nature of a substitute. **Page 6270**

By 50 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 91), Gorton Amendment No. 2293, to provide for direct awards of education funding. **Pages 6266, 6311**

By a unanimous vote of 99 yeas (Vote No. 92), Hutchinson Amendment No. 2296, to express the sense of Congress that the Department of Education, States, and local educational agencies should spend a greater percentage of Federal education tax dollars in our children's classrooms. **Pages 6281, 6311**

By 52 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 94), Ashcroft Amendment No. 2300 (to Amendment No. 2299), in the nature of a substitute. **Pages 6295, 6312**

Rejected:

By 49 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 93), Murray Amendment No. 2295, to express the sense of Congress regarding reductions in class size. **Pages 6276, 6287, 6312**

Pending:

Coats Amendment No. 2297, to provide an additional incentive to donate to elementary and secondary schools or other organizations which provide scholarships to disadvantaged children. **Pages 6287, 6315**

Levin/Bingaman Amendment No. 2299, to replace the expansion of education individual retirement accounts to elementary and secondary school expenses with an increase in the lifetime learning education credit for expenses of teachers in improving technology training. **Pages 6290, 6312**

Landrieu Amendment No. 2301, to provide funding to carry out a program that recognizes public and private elementary and secondary schools that have established standards of excellence. **Page 6306**

Kempthorne Modified Amendment No. 2302 (to Amendment No. 2301), to provide for student improvement incentive awards. **Pages 6310, 6318**

Levin Amendment No. 2303 (to Amendment No. 2299, as amended), to replace the expansion of education individual retirement accounts to elementary and secondary school expenses with an increase in the lifetime learning education credit for expenses of teachers in improving technology training. **Page 6313**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill and amendments pending thereto, on Thursday, April 23, 1998.

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

William Davis Clarke, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the State of Eritrea.

George Williford Boyce Haley, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Gambia.

Katherine Hubay Peterson, of California, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Lesotho.

Laurence J. Cohen, of the District of Columbia, to be General Counsel of the National Labor Relations Board.

A routine list in the Foreign Service.

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Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nomination:

John C. Truesdale, of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the National Labor Relations Board, which was sent to the Senate on April 2, 1998. **Page 6361**

Messages From the House: **Page 6319**

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Executive Reports of Committees: **Page 6321**

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Additional Cosponsors: **Page 6336**

Amendments Submitted: **Page 6339**

Authority for Committees: **Page 6350**

Additional Statements: **Page 6351**

Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—94) **Page 6311**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, April 23, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 6360.)

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense, focusing on the ballistic missile defense program, receiving testimony from Lt. Gen. Lester L. Lyles, USAF, Director, Ballistic Missile Defense Organization.

Subcommittee will meet again on Wednesday, April 29.

NOMINATION

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Donna Tanoue, of Hawaii, to be a Member and Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators Inouye and Akaka, testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

ADVANCED TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications concluded hearings to examine how to promote and deliver advanced telecommunication services, including satellite technology, broadband services, and network applications, to consumers in accordance with Section 706 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 which directs the Federal Communications Commission to lift any regulatory bar-

rier that is preventing companies from investing in and deploying high-speed data technologies to the public, after receiving testimony from Ellwood R. Kerkeslager, AT&T Corp., Jeffrey A. Eisenach, Progress and Freedom Foundation, David Finkelstein, SkyBridge Limited Partnership, Erik R. Olbeter, Economic Strategy Institute, and Timothy J. Regan, Corning Incorporated, all of Washington, D.C.; Charles J. McMinn, Covad Communications Company, Santa Clara, California, on behalf of the Association of Local Telecommunications Services; and Joseph R. Zell, U S West Communications, Denver, Colorado; and Russell Daggatt, Teledesic, Kirkland, Washington.

VIRTUAL MANUFACTURING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Manufacturing and Competitiveness held hearings to examine current applications of virtual manufacturing which is the use of information technology to understand, diagnose, and control certain manufacturing processes, and its impact on the future of American industry, focusing on the applications of digital and robotics technologies in its design, production, and control processes, receiving testimony from Robert Spitzer, Boeing Company, Seattle, Washington; and Daniel J. VandenBossche, Chrysler Corporation, and Eric Mittelstadt, FANUC Robotics North America, Inc., both of Auburn Hills, Michigan.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

CHILD CARE ACCESS

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on Social Security and Family Policy held hearings to examine issues relating to child care access, affordability, and supply in America and the impact of welfare reform on State and Federal child care programs, and a related measure S. 1577, to provide additional tax relief to families to increase the affordability of child care, receiving testimony from Senator Dodd; Mark V. Nadel, Associate Director for Income Security, Health, Education and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; Rhode Island Lieutenant Governor Bernard A. Jackvony, Providence; Rochelle Chronister, Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services, Topeka; Christine C. Ferguson, Rhode Island Department of Human Services, Cranston; Robert P. Hallenbeck, ECS, Inc., Exton, Pennsylvania; Donna Kline, Marriot International, Bethesda, Maryland; Donna T. Munday, UNUM Corporation, Portland, Maine; Jolene Ivey, MOCHA Moms, Cheverly, Maryland; Susan Muenchow, Florida Children's Forum, Tallahassee; Beverly Smith, Child Welfare League of America, Hyattsville, Maryland; Paula Broglio, Adelphia, Maryland; and Susan Elizabeth Dutcher, Edmond, Oklahoma.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of G. Edward DeSeve, of Pennsylvania, to be Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget, and Deidre A. Lee, of Oklahoma, to be Administrator for Federal Procurement Policy, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. DeSeve was introduced by Senator Specter.

NOMINATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of James K. Robinson, of Michigan, to be an Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division, Department of Justice, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators Abraham and Levin, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL TERRORISM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information held joint hearings with the Select Committee on Intelligence to examine Federal efforts in dealing with chemical and biological weapons threats to America, and the implementation of the Antiterrorism and Effective Death Penalty Act (P.L. 104-132), receiving testimony from Janet Reno, Attorney General, and Louis J. Freeh, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, both of the Department of Justice.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

NOMINATION

Committee on Veterans Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Togo D. West, Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

SOCIAL SECURITY REFORM

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded hearings to examine the impact of a proposal to invest Social Security trust funds in the stock market, focusing on a General Accounting Office report, "Implications of Government Stock Investing for the Trust Fund, the Federal Budget, and the Economy", after receiving testimony from Barbara D. Bovbjerg, Associate Director, Income Security Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; Bruce K. MacLaury, Brookings Institution, Washington, D.C., on behalf of the Committee for Economic Development; Alicia H. Munnell, Boston College, and James S. Phalen, State Street Corporation, both of Boston, Massachusetts; Olivia S. Mitchell, Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia; and Louis D. Enoff, Enoff Associates, Ltd., Sykesville, Maryland, former Commissioner, Social Security Administration.

House of Representatives

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Bills Introduced: 13 public bills, H.R. 3702–3714; were introduced. **Page 6479**

Reports Filed: H.R. 1309, to provide for an exchange of lands with the city of Greeley, Colorado, and The Water Supply and Storage Company to eliminate private inholdings in wilderness areas (H. Rept. 105–489);

H.R. 3603, to authorize major medical facility projects and major medical facility leases for the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 1999 (H. Rept. 105–490);

H. Res. 408, providing for consideration of H.R. 1252, to modify the procedures of the Federal courts in certain matters (H. Rept. 105–491); and

Conference report on S. 1150, ensure that federally funded agricultural research, extension, and education address high-priority concerns with national multistate significance, to reform, extend, and eliminate certain agricultural research programs (H. Rept. 105–492).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Gillmor to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 6362**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, the Reverend Adrian Condit of Ceres, California. **Page 6362**

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Read a letter from the Chairman, Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure wherein he transmitted copies of resolutions adopted by the Committee on March 24, 1998—referred to the Committee on Appropriations. **Page 6367**

Hydrographic Services Improvement Act: The House passed H.R. 3164, to describe the hydrographic services functions of the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. **Page 6368**

Agreed to the Traficant amendment that requires the compliance with the Buy America Act, expresses the sense of Congress that entities receiving assistance should purchase American-made products and requires a notice from the Secretary of Commerce to recipients of assistance to that effect; and prohibits contracts with any person who falsely labels products or equipment as "Made in America". **Page 6371**

Earlier, agreed by unanimous consent that it be in order for the Speaker, as though pursuant to clause 1(b) of rule XXIII, to declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of H.R. 3164 and that consideration proceed according to the following order: (1) The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. Points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to

comply with clause 2(1)(6) of rule XI or section 303(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 are waived. (2) General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed one hour equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Resources. (3) After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. (4) In lieu of the amendment recommended by the Committee on Resources now printed in the bill, it shall be in order to consider as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the Congressional Record and numbered 1. Each section shall be considered as read. Points of order for failure to comply with clause 5(a) of rule XXI or section 303(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 are waived. (5) During consideration of the bill for amendment, the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole may accord priority in recognition on the basis of whether the Member offering an amendment has caused it to be printed in the Congressional Record. Amendments so printed shall be considered as read. (6) The chairman of the Committee of the Whole may postpone until a time during further consideration in the Committee of the Whole a request for a recorded vote on any amendment; and reduce to five minutes the minimum time for electronic voting on any postponed question that follows another electronic vote without intervening business, provided that the minimum time for electronic voting on the first in any series of questions shall be 15 minutes. (7) At the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment the Committee shall rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted. Any Member may demand a separate vote in the House on any amendment adopted in the Committee of the Whole to the bill or to the amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order as original text. (8) The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit with or without instructions. **Page 6371**

Tax Limitation Congressional Amendment: By a recorded vote of 238 ayes to 186 noes, Roll No. 102, and two-thirds required for passage, the House failed to pass H. J. Res. 111, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States with respect to tax limitations. **Pages 6374, 6411**

Earlier, the House agreed to H. Res. 407, the rule that provided for consideration of the joint resolution. Pursuant to the rule, the amendment specified in H. Rept. 105–488, the report accompanying the rule was considered as adopted. **Page 6372**

Recess: The House recessed at 3:56 p.m. and reconvened at 5:37 p.m. **Page 6411**

BESTEA Conference Appointment: The Chair appointed additional conferees from the Committee on

Commerce for consideration of provisions in the House bill and Senate amendment to H.R. 2400 relating to the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program; and sections 124, 125, 303, and 502 of the House bill; and sections 1407, 1601, 1602, 2103, 3106, 3301–3302, 4101–4104, and 5004 of the Senate amendment and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Bliley, Bilirakis, and Dingell; provided that Representative Tauzin is appointed in lieu of Representative Bilirakis for consideration of sections 1407, 2103, and 3106 of the Senate amendment. **Page 6447**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page 6362

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 6480.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appears on page 6411. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services held a hearing on SSA and on Corporation for Public Broadcasting and National Education Goals Panel. Testimony was heard from Kenneth S. Apfel, Commissioner, SSA; Robert Coonrod, President and CEO, Corporation for Public Broadcasting; and Ken Nelson, Executive Director, National Education Goals Panel.

VA-HUD-INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 3532, Nuclear Regulatory Commission Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999; H.R. 2217, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of FERC Project No. 9248 in the State of Colorado; and H.R. 2841, to extend the time required for the construction of a hydroelectric project.

REFORMULATED GASOLINE PROGRAM

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment held a hearing on the implementation of the Reformulated Gasoline Program in California, focusing on H.R. 630, to amend the Clean Air Act to permit the exclusive application of California State regulations regarding reformulated gas in certain areas within the State.

Testimony was heard from Representative Tauscher; Richard Wilson, Acting Assistant Administrator, Office of Air and Radiation, EPA; Robert Gee, Assistant Secretary, Office of Policy and International Affairs, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

CLINICAL TRIAL SUBJECTS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Held a hearing on Clinical Trial Subjects: Adequate FDA Protections? Testimony was heard from Michael A. Friedman, Deputy Lead Commissioner, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE AND RESULTS ACT

Committee on Resources: Held an oversight hearing on the Government Performance and Results Act. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the GAO: Barry T. Hill, Associate Director, Energy, Resources, and Science Issues, Resources, Community and Economic Development Division; and Joel Willemssen, Director, Civil Agencies' Information Systems, Accounting and Information Management Division; and the following officials of the Department of the Interior: Robert J. Williams, Acting Inspector General; and John Berry, Assistant Secretary, Policy, Management and Budget.

JUDICIAL REFORM ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 1252, Judicial Reform Act of 1998. The rule waives points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with section 303(a) of the Congressional Budget Act (prohibiting consideration of legislation, as reported, providing new budget authority, changes in revenues, or changes in the public debt for a fiscal year until the budget resolution for the year has been agreed to).

The rule makes in order the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the bill, modified by striking section 9 (and redesignating succeeding sections accordingly). The rule provides that each section of that amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered as read. The rule waives points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute for failure to comply with clause 7 of rule XVI (prohibiting nongermane amendments) or section 303(a) of the Congressional Budget Act.

The rule further provides that Members who have preprinted their amendments in the Congressional Record prior to their consideration will be given priority in recognition to offer their amendments if otherwise consistent with House rules. The rule allows the chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion

to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Hyde and Representatives Coble, Chabot, Frank of Massachusetts, Nadler, Jackson Lee and Delahunt.

BASIC SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH—FEDERAL FUNDING

Committee on Science: Held an oversight hearing on the Irreplaceable Federal Role in Funding Basic Scientific Research. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

NSF BUDGET AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Basic Research held an oversight hearing on the National Science Foundation Fiscal Year Budget Authorization. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the NSF: Neal F. Lane, Director, NSF; and John E. Hopcroft, Member, National Science Board.

SMALL BUSINESS INNOVATION RESEARCH PROGRAM

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Government Programs and Oversight held a hearing regarding the Small Business Innovation Research Program. Testimony was heard from Susan E. Haley, Deputy Director, Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, Department of Defense; Susan D. Kladiva, Acting Associate Director, Resources and Science Issues, GAO; Kesh Narayanan, Director, Industrial Innovation Group, NSF; Wendy Baldwin, M.D., Deputy Director, Extramural Research, NIH, Department of Health and Human Services; Daniel O. Hill, Assistant Administrator, Technology, SBA; Charles F. Cleland, Director, Small Business Innovation Research Program, USDA; and public witnesses.

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Railroads held a hearing on Surface Transportation Board Reauthorization: State of the Railroad Industry. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT—PROPOSALS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing on proposals for a Water Resources Development Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Representatives Matsui, Doolittle, Visclosky, Pomeroy, Shaw, Fowler, Herger, Weldon of Florida, Frost, Kind, DeLauro, Dooley, Weller, Pallone, Calvert, Salmon and Lee.

Hearings continue April 28.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 1023, Ricky Ray Hemophilia Relief Fund Act of 1997; and H.R. 3546, National Dialogue on Social Security Act of 1998.

Joint Meetings

IDEA REGULATIONS

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources concluded joint hearings with the House Committee on Education and the Workforce to examine the Department of Education's development of the regulations necessary to implement the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act Amendments of 1997 (P.L. 105-17), after receiving testimony from Judith E. Heumann, Assistant Secretary of Education for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services; Martha Feland, Cabot School Board, Cabot, Arkansas; Frank P. Clark, James, Smith, Durkin & Connelly, Hershey, Pennsylvania; Brian A. McNulty, Colorado Department of Education, Denver; and Patricia McGill Smith, National Parent Network on Disabilities, Washington, D.C.

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Measures Introduced: Eleven bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1971-1981, S.J. Res. 45, S. Con. Res. 90, and S. Res. 215.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1360, to amend the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 to clarify and improve the requirements for the development of an automated entry-exit control system, to enhance land border control and enforcement, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1504, to adjust the immigration status of certain Haitian nationals who were provided refuge in the United States, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Measures Passed:

Education Savings Act for Public and Private Schools: By 56 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 102), Senate passed H.R. 2646, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, and to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts, after taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

By 58 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. 96), Kempthorne Modified Amendment No. 2302 (to Amendment No. 2301), to provide for student improvement incentive

awards. (By unanimous-consent, the amendment, as further modified, was considered as an amendment in the first degree.)

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Coverdell (for McCain) Amendment No. 2298, to provide for a study of multilingualism in the United States.

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Coverdell (for Dorgan) Amendment No. 2307, to amend the Gun-Free Schools Act of 1994 to promote school safety.

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Levin/Bingaman Amendment No. 2299, to replace the expansion of education individual retirement accounts to elementary and secondary school expenses with an increase in the lifetime learning education credit for expenses of teachers in improving technology training, as amended.

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Subsequently, the amendment was modified.

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Coverdell Amendment No. 2309, to make grants available to early childhood reading, to improve reading skills of students, to expand high-quality family literacy programs, and reduce the number of children who are referred to special education due to reading difficulties.

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By 74 yeas to 26 nays (Vote No. 101), Bingaman Amendment No. 2308, to provide assistance to address school dropout problems.

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Rejected:

By 46 yeas to 54 nays (Vote No. 95), Coats Amendment No. 2297, to provide an additional incentive to donate to elementary and secondary schools or other organizations which provide scholarships to disadvantaged children.

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By 34 yeas to 66 nays (Vote No. 97), Landrieu Amendment No. 2301, to provide funding to carry out a program that recognizes public and private elementary and secondary schools that have established standards of excellence.

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Levin Amendment No. 2303 (to Amendment No. 2299, as amended), to replace the expansion of education individual retirement accounts to elementary and secondary school expenses with an increase in the lifetime learning education credit for expenses of teachers in improving technology training. (By 61 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 99), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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By 49 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 100), Boxer Amendment No. 2306, to improve academic and social outcomes for students by providing productive activities during after school hours.

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During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 46 yeas to 53 nays (Vote No. 98), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected a motion to waive the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 with respect to consideration of Dodd Amendment No. 2305, to provide funding for part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Edu-

cation Act. Subsequently, a point of order that the amendment was in violation of Section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act was sustained, and the amendment thus fell.

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Northern Ireland Peace Agreement: By a unanimous vote of 97 yeas (Vote No.103), Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 90, to express the sense of the Congress in congratulating the participants in the negotiations resulting in the Northern Ireland Peace Agreement.

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Request of the House: Senate agreed to S. Res. 215, directing the Secretary of the Senate to request the House of Representatives to return the official papers on S. 414, and to make a technical correction in the Act as passed by the Senate.

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State Department Reorganization Conference Report-

Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the conference report on H.R. 1757, to consolidate international affairs agencies, to authorize appropriations for the Department of State and related agencies for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, to ensure that the enlargement of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) proceeds in a manner consistent with United States interests, to strengthen relations between the United States and Russia, and to preserve the prerogatives of the Congress with respect to certain arms control agreements, on Friday, April 24, 1998, with a vote on the conference report to occur on Tuesday, April 28, 1998, at 2:25 p.m.

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NATO Enlargement Treaty-Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of Treaty Doc. 105-36, Protocols to the North Atlantic Treaty of 1949 on Accession of Poland, Hungary, and the Czech Republic, on Monday, April 27, 1998.

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Appointment:

Special Committee on the Year 2000 Technology

Problem: The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, and upon the recommendation of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to the provisions of S. Res. 208 of the 105th Congress, appointed the following Senators to the Special Committee on the Year 2000 Technology Problem: Senators Dodd, Moynihan, and Bingaman.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Nikki Rush Tinsley, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Environmental Protection Agency.

Robert A. Freedberg, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania vice Thomas N. O'Neill, Jr., retired.

David R. Herndon, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois vice William L. Beatty, retired.

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Record Votes: Nine record votes were taken today. (Total—103)	Pages 6593, 6602, 6617, 6653

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 8:27 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Friday, April 24, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 6686.)

Committee Meetings

FOOD STAMP PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings to examine the incidence of fraud and abuse in the Food Stamp Program, focusing on proposed legislation to strengthen current laws to make it illegal for prisoners and fleeing felons to collect food stamps by requiring States to conduct criminal background checks on anyone applying for food stamps, and Federal efforts to ensure the integrity of the Food Stamp Program, after receiving testimony from Representative Menendez; Yvette S. Jackson, Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service, Department of Agriculture; Robert A. Robinson, Director, Food and Agriculture Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; Chris Hamilton, Abt Associates Inc., Cambridge, Massachusetts; and Harold S. Beebout, Mathematica Policy Research, Inc., Washington, D.C.

APPROPRIATIONS—FOREIGN ASSISTANCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for foreign assistance, focusing on a multi-year United States strategy to combat infectious diseases in developing countries, receiving testimony from James M. Hughes, Director, National Center for Infectious Diseases, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services; Nils M.P. Daulaire, Senior Health Advisor, Population, Health and Nutrition Bureau for Programs and Policy, U.S. Agency for International Development; David L. Heymann, World Health Organization, Geneva, Switzerland; and Gail H. Cassell, Indianapolis, Indiana, on behalf of Eli Lilly and Company.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, April 28.

APPROPRIATIONS—FOREST SERVICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the Interior and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Forest Service, receiving testimony from James R. Lyons, Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment, and Michael P. Dombeck, Chief, Forest Service, both of the Department of Agriculture, who were accompanied by several of their associates.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

APPROPRIATIONS—NASA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, receiving testimony from Daniel S. Goldin, Administrator, NASA, who was accompanied by several of his associates.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, April 30.

AVIATION COMPETITION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Aviation concluded hearings to examine the Department of Transportation's policy regarding unfair exclusionary conduct in the aviation industry and the competitive implications of consolidation among United States airlines, after receiving testimony from Nancy E. McFadden, General Counsel, Department of Transportation; Richard B. Hirst, Northwest Airlines, Inc., St. Paul, Minnesota; Alfred Kahn, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York; Mark Kahan, Spirit Airlines, Eastpointe, Michigan; and Steven A. Morrison, Northeastern University, Boston, Massachusetts.

PUBLIC LANDS MANAGEMENT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management held hearings on S. 1253, to provide to the Federal land management agencies the authority and capability to manage effectively the federal lands in accordance with the principles of multiple use and sustained yield, receiving testimony from Idaho State Senator Judi Danielson, Council; Washington State Senator Robert Morton, Colville; Cindy Bowen, Montrose County, Colorado, and Louise Liston, Garfield County, Utah, both on behalf of the National Association of Counties; Sue Kupillas, Jackson County, Oregon; and Steve McClure, Union County, Oregon.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

CLEAN AIR REGULATIONS

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Clean Air, Wetlands, Private Property, and Nuclear Safety concluded hearings to examine the Environmental Protection Agency proposed rule to improve visibility and reduce regional haze in national parks and wilderness areas, after receiving testimony from John S. Seitz, Director, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Office

of Air and Radiation, Environmental Protection Agency; Christine L. Shaver, Chief of the Air Resources Division, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; Utah Governor Michael O. Leavitt, Salt Lake City, on behalf of the Western Governors' Association; Randolph Wood, Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality, Lincoln; Kenneth A. Colburn, New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, Concord; and Lynn M. Terry, California Environmental Protection Agency, Sacramento.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Thelma J. Askey, of Tennessee, Jennifer Anne Hillman, of Indiana, and Stephen Koplan, of Virginia, each to be a Member of the United States International Trade Commission, and Patrick A. Mulloy, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Ms. Askey was introduced by Representative Archer, Ms. Hillman was introduced by Senator Lugar, Mr. Koplan was introduced by Representative Rangel, and Mr. Mulloy was introduced by Senators D'Amato and Sarbanes.

TELEPHONE SLAMMING

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations concluded hearings to examine issues relating to telephone slamming which is the unauthorized switching of a consumer's long-distance service, including S. 1740, to improve the protections against the unauthorized change of subscribers from one telecommunications carrier to another, which entities are most responsible for intentional slamming incidents, and the technique used to deceive consumers, after receiving testimony from Eljay B. Bowron, Assistant Comptroller General for Special Investigations, Office of Special Investigations, General Accounting Office; and William E. Kennard, Chairman, Federal Communications Commission.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nominations of James K. Robinson, of Michigan, to be Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division, and Wilma A. Lewis, to be United States Attorney for the District of Columbia, all of the Department of Justice;

S. 1504, to adjust the immigration status of certain Haitian nationals who were provided refuge in the United States, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 1360, to amend the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 to clarify and improve the requirements for the development of an automated entry-exit control system, and to enhance land bor-

der control and enforcement, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

Also, committee began markup of the proposed Digital Millennium Copyright Act of 1998, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again on Thursday, April 30.

CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL TERRORISM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information concluded joint hearings with the Select Committee on Intelligence to examine Federal efforts in dealing with chemical and biological weapons threats to America, and the implementation of the Antiterrorism and Effective Death Penalty Act (P.L. 104-132), after receiving testimony from Donald C. Latham, Member, Defense Science Board; Christine M. Gosden, University of Liverpool, Liverpool, United Kingdom; and Richard Preston, New York, New York.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 18 public bills, H.R. 3715-3732 were introduced. **Page 6588**

Reports Filed: One report was filed as follows:

H.R. 3546, to provide for a national dialogue on Social Security and to establish the Bipartisan Panel to Design Long-Range Social Security Reform. Amended (H. Rept. 105-493). **Page 6588**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Ewing to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 6508**

Judicial Reform Act of 1998: The House passed H.R. 1252, to modify the procedures of the Federal courts in certain matters. **Page 6511**

Agreed to the Manzullo unanimous consent request to strike section 5, Limitation on Court-imposed Taxes, from the bill. **Page 6555**

Agreed To:

The Coble amendment that extends the judiciary information technology fund; provides for retaining offsetting receipts; enhances the membership in circuit judicial councils; sunsets civil justice expense and delay reduction plans; and establishes certifying officers in the judiciary branch; **Page 6526**

The Delahunt amendment to section 5 that applies the limitation on court-imposed taxes only to any order or settlement which expressly directs any State, or political subdivisions of a State, to impose, increase, levy, or assess any tax (agreed to by a recorded vote of 230 ayes to 181 noes, Roll No. 103. Subsequently, agreed by unanimous consent to strike section 5 from the bill); **Page 6527**

The Campbell amendment to section 5 that limits court imposed taxes that contribute to or exacerbate the deprivation intended to be remedied including the effect on property values (subsequently, agreed by unanimous consent to strike section 5 from the bill); **Page 6532**

The Rogan amendment that strikes section 6, that establishes the right to bring a motion to reassign a case; **Page 6532**

The Nadler amendment that provides for a witness' voice and face to be disguised or otherwise obscured during the broadcast coverage of an appellate court proceeding; **Page 6537**

The DeLay amendment that prohibits a court to carry out any felony prisoner release order on the basis of prison conditions and terminates existing consent decrees that provide for remedies relating to prison conditions (agreed to by a recorded vote of 367 ayes to 52 noes, Roll No. 105); **Page 6542**

Rejected:

The Jackson-Lee amendment that sought to limit protective orders and sealing of cases and settlements relating to public health or safety (rejected by a recorded vote of 177 ayes to 242 noes, Roll No. 104); **Page 6533**

The Lofgren amendment that sought to establish parent-child testimonial privileges in Federal, civil, and criminal proceedings specifying that a witness may not be compelled to testify against a child or parent of the witness (rejected by a recorded vote of 162 ayes to 256 noes, Roll No. 106); **Pages 6538, 6548**

The Skaggs amendment that sought to require that a settlement to which the United States is a party shall not be sealed unless the court determines that there is a compelling public interest in limiting such availability; **Page 6552**

The Conyers amendment that sought to establish process service jurisdiction and compliance with rules of discovery for defendants located outside the United States (rejected by a recorded vote of 200 ayes to 216 noes, Roll No. 107); and **Pages 6550, 6553**

The Aderholt amendment to section 5 that sought to apply the limitation on court-imposed taxes only to any order or settlement which expressly directs any State, or political subdivision of a State, to impose, increase, levy, or assess any tax or disburse any funds to remedy the deprivation of a right under the Constitution (rejected by a recorded vote of 174 ayes to 236 noes, Roll No. 108). **Page 6551**

The Coburn amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to establish a limitation on racketeering specifying that the defendant must have committed a criminal offense. **Page 6555**

The Clerk was authorized in the engrossment of the bill to correct section numbers, punctuation, and cross references and to make such other technical and conforming changes as may be necessary to reflect the actions of the House in amending the bill. **Page 6557**

H. Res. 408, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a voice vote. **Page 6511**

Conference on Emergency Supplemental Appropriations: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 3579, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Chairman Livingston, Representatives McDade, Young of Florida, Regula, Lewis of California, Porter, Rogers, Skeen, Wolf, Kolbe, Packard, Callahan, Walsh, Obey, Yates, Stokes, Murtha, Sabo, Fazio, Hoyer, Kaptur, and Pelosi. **Page 6557**

By a recorded vote of 186 ayes to 222 noes, Roll No. 109, rejected the Obey motion to instruct conferees to agree to funding for the International Monetary Fund consistent with the terms, conditions, and provisions of H.R. 3114, International Monetary Fund Reform and Authorization Act of 1998, as reported by the Committee on Banking and Financial Services. **Page 6566**

Conference on Child Performance and Incentive Act: The House disagreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 3130, to provide for an alternative penalty procedure for States that fail to meet Federal child support data processing requirements, to reform Federal incentive payments for effective child support performance, and to provide for a more flexible penalty procedure for States that violate interjurisdictional adoption requirements, and requested a conference. Appointed as conferees: From the Committee on Ways and Means, for consideration of the House bill and the Senate amendments, and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Archer and Representatives Shaw, Camp, Rangel, and Levin. As additional conferees from the Committee on Education and the Workforce, for consideration of section 401 of the Senate amendment and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Goodling and Representatives Fawell and Payne. **Page 6567**

BESTEA Conference Appointment: As additional conferees from the Committee on Science, for consideration of section 312(d) and Title VI of the House bill and sections 1119, 1206, and Title II of the Senate bill and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Sensenbrenner and Representatives Morella and Brown of California. **Page 6567**

Legislative Program: The Majority Whip announced the legislative program for the week of April 27. **Page 6567**

Meeting Hour—Monday, April 27: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, April 27. **Page 6568**

Meeting Hour—Tuesday, April 28: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 28 for morning hour debate. **Page 6568**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday, April 29. **Page 6568**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Seven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 6531, 6535, 6547, 6548, 6553, 6554, and 6566. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Committee Meetings

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary held a hearing on International Organizations and Peacekeeping. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Ambassador Bill Richardson, U.S. Representative to the United Nations; and Princeton Lyman, Assistant Secretary, International Organizations.

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on Corporation for National and Community Service, the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, the U.S. Institute of Peace, the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission and the National Council on Disability. Testimony was heard from Harris Wofford, CEO, Corporation for National Service; the following officials of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service: John Calhoun Wells, Director; C. Richard Barnes, Deputy Director, Field Operations; Vella M. Traynham, Deputy Director, National Office Operations; and Frances L. Leonard, Director, Budget and Finance Office; Richard H. Solomon, President, United States Institute of Peace; Mary Lu Jordan, Chairman, Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission; and Marca Bristo, Chairperson, National Council on Disability.

VA-HUD-INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress.

HOMEOWNERS' INSURANCE AVAILABILITY ACT

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Held a hearing on H.R. 219, Homeowners' Insurance Availability Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Representatives Fazio, Emerson and Christian-Green; Lawrence Summers, Deputy Secretary, Department of the Treasury; Donald A. Dowdell, Deputy General Counsel, Department of Insurance, State of Florida; David Knowles, Chief Deputy In-

surance Commissioner, Department of Insurance, State of California; and public witnesses.

FEDERAL INSURANCE PROGRAMS BUDGETING

Committee on the Budget: Task Force on Budget Process held a hearing on Budgeting for Federal Insurance Programs. Testimony was heard from Susan J. Irving, Associate Director, Budget Issues, GAO; Marvin Phaup, Deputy Assistant Director, Special Studies, CBO; and Rudolph G. Penner, Senior Fellow, Urban Institute.

DIGITAL HIGH DEFINITION TV

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on Digital High Definition Television: Coming Soon to a Home Theater Near You. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

AMERICAN WORKER PROJECT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on the American Worker Project: Emerging Trends in the High-Tech Workplace. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

CAMPAIGN FUNDRAISING

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Failed to obtain two-thirds Committee majority to grant immunity to four individuals regarding campaign fundraising investigation.

KUOTO PROTOCOL

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing on "The Kuoto Protocol: Is the Clinton-Gore Administration Selling Out Americans?" Testimony was heard from Senator Hagel; Representatives Calvert, Knollenberg, Wise, and McCarthy of Missouri; Edward Montgomery, Chief Economist, Department of Labor; Dan Reicher, Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy; David Gardiner, Assistant Administrator, Policy, Planning, and Evaluation, EPA; William A. Walaska, Senator, State of Rhode Island; Tom Alley, Representative, State of Michigan; and public witnesses.

COMBATING TERRORISM

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Security, International Affairs, and Criminal Justice held a hearing on "Combating Terrorism: The Proliferation of Agencies' Efforts." Testimony was heard from Representative Skelton; the following officials of the GAO: Richard Davis, Director, National Security and International Affairs Division; and David D'Agostino, Assistant Director, National Security Analysis Division; and Larry C. Johnson, former Deputy Director, Office of Counter Terrorism, Department of State.

AMERICANS VICTIMS OF TERRORISM

Committee on International Relations: Favorably considered and adopted a motion urging the Chairman to request that the following measure be considered on the Suspension Calendar: H. Con. Res. 220, amended, regarding American victims of terrorism.

The Committee also considered pending Committee business.

ASIAN FINANCIAL CRISIS—JAPAN'S ROLE

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific and the Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade held a joint hearing on Japan's Role in the Asian Financial Crisis. Testimony was heard from James Glassman, Fellow, American Enterprise Institute; Bob Grondine, Governor, American Chamber of Commerce, Japan; Peter S. Walters, Group Vice President, Guardian Industries Corporation; and Richard Katz, Contributing Editor, *The Oriental Economist Report*.

BANKRUPTCY REFORM ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3150, Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1998.

CHILD CUSTODY ORDERS ENFORCEMENT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property held a hearing on H.R. 1690, to amend title 28 of the United States Code regarding enforcement of child custody orders. Testimony was heard from Representative Andrews; and public witnesses.

OCEANS ACT; OVERSIGHT—ARCTIC SNOW GEESSE

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3445, Oceans Act of 1998.

The Subcommittee also held an oversight hearing on Arctic Snow Geese: Is the Arctic Ecosystem in Peril? Testimony was heard from Representatives Hunter and Cunningham; Paul Schmidt, Chief, Office of Migratory Bird Management, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 2886, amended, Granite Watershed Enhancement and Protection Act of 1997; H.R. 3467, California Spotted Owl Interim Protection Act of 1998; H.R. 1021, Miles Land Exchange Act of 1997; and H.R. 3381, Galatin Land Consolidation Act of 1998.

SAN RAFAEL SWELL HERITAGE AND CONSERVATION ACT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands held a hearing on H.R. 3625, San

Rafael Swell Heritage and Conservation Act. Testimony was heard from Senator Bennett; Representative Cannon; Pat Shea, Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; the following officials of the State of Utah: Michael Leavitt, Governor; and Mike Dmitrich, member, Senate; and public witnesses.

AVIATION MATTERS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on the impact of recent alliances, international agreements, DOT actions, and pending legislation on air fares, air service, and competition in the airline industry. Testimony was heard from Representatives Quinn, Walsh, Wolf, Ganske, Moran of Virginia, Slaughter, Manton, Jackson of Illinois and Norton; John H. Anderson, Jr., Director, Transportation Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, GAO; Nancy McFadden, General Counsel, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue April 30.

VETERANS' PROGRAMS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on the research and treatment of war-related illnesses; and to review the VA's sexual trauma counseling program. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Capt. Craig Hyams, M.D., USN, Infectious Diseases Department, Naval Medical Research Institute, Department of the Navy; and Gary Christopherson, Acting Principal Deputy Secretary, Health Affairs; Richard Miller, M.D., Director, Medical Follow-Up Agency, Institute of Medicine, National Academy of Sciences; Thomas Garthwaite, M.D., Deputy Under Secretary, Health, Department of Veterans Affairs; Stephen Backhus, Director, Veterans' Affairs and Military Health Care Issues, Health, Education and Human Services Division, GAO; and representatives of veterans' organizations.

HEALTH CARE—PATIENT APPEALS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Patient Appeals in Health Care. Testimony was heard from Mike Hash, Deputy Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; William E. Flynn, III, Associate Director, Retirement and Insurance, OPM; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—TAX LAW-HEALTH INSURANCE

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on oversight of current tax law related to health insurance. Testimony was heard from George M. Reider, Jr., Commissioner, Insurance Department, State of Connecticut; and public witnesses.

FUTURE IMAGERY ARCHITECTURE

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Future Imagery Architecture. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

ble of defending the territory of the United States against limited ballistic missile attack. (S. Rept. No. 105-175)

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State Department Reorganization Conference Report: Senate began consideration of the conference report on H.R. 1757, to consolidate international affairs agencies, to authorize appropriations for the Department of State and related agencies for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, to ensure that the enlargement of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) proceeds in a manner consistent with United States interests, to strengthen relations between the United States and Russia, and to preserve the prerogatives of the Congress with respect to certain arms control agreements.

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Senate will vote on the conference report on Tuesday, April 28, 1998, at 2:25 p.m.

Appointment:

National Summit on Retirement Income Savings: The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 105-92, appointed John David Davenport, of Oklahoma, as a participant in the 1998 National Summit on Retirement Income Savings, to fill the existing vacancy thereon.

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Nominations—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the nomination of Scott Snyder Fleming, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Legislation and Congressional Affairs, Department of Education, on Monday, April 27, 1998, with a vote to occur thereon at 6 p.m.

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A further unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the nominations of Garr M. King, of Oregon, to be United States District Judge for the District of Oregon, Gregory Moneta Sleet, of Delaware, to be United States District Judge for the District of Delaware, and Cherryl T. Thomas, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Railroad Retirement Board, on Monday, April 27, 1998, following the vote to occur on the nomination of Scott Snyder Fleming (listed above).

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 3:23 p.m., until 11 a.m., on Monday, April 27, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 6761.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Joint Meetings**AUTHORIZATION—NATIONAL MARROW DONOR PROGRAM**

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources' Subcommittee on Public Health and Safety concluded joint hearings with the House Committee on Commerce's Subcommittee on Health and Environment on H.R. 2202, authorizing funds for the National Marrow Donor Program, after receiving testimony from Representative Bill Young; Claude Earl Fox, Acting Administrator, Health Resources and Services Administration, and Claude Lenfant, Director, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; Adm. E.R. Zumwalt, Jr., USN (Ret.), Arlington, Virginia, and Craig W.S. Howe, Minneapolis, Minnesota, both on behalf of the National Marrow Donor Program; Edward L. Snyder, Yale University School of Medicine, New Haven, Connecticut, on behalf of the American Association of Blood Banks; Clive O. Callender, National Minority Organ Tissue Transplant Education Program, and Robert Wedge, both of Washington, D.C.; and Angel Hernandez, Silver Spring, Maryland.

ISTEA AUTHORIZATION

Conferees on Wednesday, April 22, met to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 2400, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again on Friday, April 24.

Friday, April 24, 1998

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Measures Introduced: Seven bills and two resolutions were introduced as follows: S. 1982-1988, S. Con. Res. 91, and S. Res. 216.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1873, to state the policy of the United States regarding the deployment of a missile defense system capa-

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The House was not in session. It will next meet on Monday, April 27.

Committee Meetings

HCFA—INSPECTOR GENERAL'S AUDIT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment, the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations and the Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology of the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight held a joint hearing on the Department of Health and Human Services Inspector General's Audit of the Health Care Financing Administration's Fiscal Year 1997 Financial Statements. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: June Gibbs Brown, Inspector General; Joe Vengrin, Assistant Inspector General and Nancy-Ann Min DeParle, Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration.

Joint Meetings

ISTEA AUTHORIZATION

Conferees continued to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 2400, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again on Tuesday, April 28.

Monday, April 27, 1998

Senate

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Routine Proceedings, pages 6775–6840

Measures Introduced: Four bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1989–1992 and S. Res. 217 and 218. **Page 6829**

Measures Passed:

Authorizing Representation by Legal Counsel: Senate agreed to S. Res. 218, to authorize testimony, production of Senate documents, and representation by Senate Legal Counsel in civil case. **Page 6839**

Treaty Considered: Senate began consideration of the Protocols to the North Atlantic Treaty of 1949 on Accession of Poland, Hungary, and the Czech Republic, with

seven declarations and four conditions, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Page 6777**

Pending:

Kyl Amendment No. 2310, to establish principles of policy of the United States toward the Strategic Concept of NATO. **Page 6798**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the Treaty on Tuesday, April 28, 1998. **Page 6839**

Job Training Partnership Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 1186, to provide for education and training, and certain amendments to be proposed thereto. **Page 6839**

Appointments:

Air Force Academy Board of Visitors: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 9355(a), appointed the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Air Force Academy: Senator Kempthorne, from the Committee on Armed Services, and Senator Burns, from the Committee on Appropriations. **Page 6839**

Military Academy Board of Visitors: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 4355(a), appointed the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Military Academy: Senator Coats, from the Committee on Armed Services, and Senator Hutchison, from the Committee on Appropriations. **Page 6839**

Naval Academy Board of Visitors: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 6968(a), appointed the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Naval Academy: Senator McCain, from the Committee on Armed Services, and Senator Cochran, from the Committee on Appropriations. **Page 6839**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report concerning the national emergency with respect to narcotics traffickers centered in Colombia; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM-117). **Page 6828**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By unanimous vote of 92 yeas (Vote No. 104 EX), Scott Snyder Fleming, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Legislation and Congressional Affairs, Department of Education. **Page 6821**

Garr M. King, of Oregon, to be United States District Judge for the District of Oregon.

Gregory Moneta Sleet, of Delaware, to be United States District Judge for the District of Delaware.

Cherryl T. Thomas, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Railroad Retirement Board for a term expiring August 28, 2002. **Page 6821**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 11 a.m., and adjourned at 7:07 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, April 28, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 6839.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

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Bills Introduced: 1 public bill, H.R. 3733, was introduced. **Page 6772**

Reports Filed: One report was filed as follows:

H.R. 1872, to amend the Communications Satellite Act of 1962 to promote competition and privatization in satellite communications, and for other purposes.

Amended (H. Rept. 105-494). **Page 6772**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Nethercutt to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 6762**

Mexico-United States Parliamentary Group: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representative Kolbe, Chairman, and Representative Gilman, Vice Chairman to the Mexico-United States Parliamentary Group. **Page 6762**

Canada-United States Parliamentary Group: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representative Houghton, Chairman, to the Canada-United States Parliamentary Group. **Page 6762**

Presidential Message—Re Narcotics Traffickers: Read a message from the President concerning the national emergency with respect to significant narcotics traffickers centered in Colombia—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-241). **Page 6762**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 6762.

Referral: S. Con. Res. 90, to acknowledge the Historic Northern Ireland Peace Agreement, was referred to the Committee on International Relations. **Page 6768**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 6773.

Quorum Calls—Votes: No quorum calls or recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: Met at 2:00 p.m. and adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Seven bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1993-1999. **Page 6891**

Treaty Considered: Senate continued consideration of the Protocols to the North Atlantic Treaty of 1949 on Accession of Poland, Hungary, and the Czech Republic, with a resolution of ratification containing seven declarations and four conditions, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 6847, 6861, 6868**

Adopted:

By 90 yeas to 9 nays (Vote No. 107), Kyl Modified Amendment No. 2310, to establish principles of policy of the United States toward the Strategic Concept of NATO. **Pages 6848, 6861, 6869, 6876**

Rejected:

By 24 yeas to 76 nays (Vote No 106), Harkin Amendment No. 2312, to limit future U.S. subsidies of the national expenses incurred by Poland, Hungary, or the Czech Republic in meeting NATO commitments. **Pages 6848, 6898**

Pending:

Smith (New Hampshire)/Hutchison Amendment No. 2314, to express a condition requiring full cooperation from Poland, Hungary, and the Czech Republic with United States efforts to obtain the fullest possible accounting of captured and missing United States personnel from past military conflicts or Cold War incidents. **Pages 6870, 6880**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the Treaty and the amendment pending thereto, on Wednesday, April 29, 1998. **Page 6921**

State Department Reorganization Conference Report: By 51 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 105), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 1757, to consolidate international affairs agencies, to authorize appropriations for the Department of State and related agencies for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, to ensure that the enlargement of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) proceeds in a manner consistent with United States interests, to strengthen relations between the United States and Russia, and to preserve the prerogatives of the Congress with respect to certain arms control agreements.

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Education Savings Act for Public and Private Schools—Conferees: Pursuant to the order of March 27, 1998, the Chair appointed conferees on the part of the Senate on H.R. 2646, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, and to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts, as follows: Senators Roth, Mack, Coats, Gorton, Coverdell, Moynihan, Moseley-Braun, Kennedy, and Bingaman.

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Appointments:

Special Committee on the Year 2000 Technology Problem: The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, and upon the recommendation of the Republican Leader, pursuant to the provisions of S. Res. 208 of the 105th Congress, appointed the following Senators to the Special Committee on the Year 2000 Technology Problem: Senators Kyl, Smith (of Oregon), and Collins, and as ex-officio members by virtue of their positions on the Committee on Appropriations: Senators Stevens and Byrd.

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Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed for the following treaty:

Treaty with Brazil on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters. (Treaty Doc. 105-42)

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and was ordered to be printed.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Togo Dennis West, Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Mari Carmen Aponte, of Puerto Rico, to be Ambassador to the Dominican Republic.

E. William Crotty, of Florida, to be Ambassador to Barbados, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to Barbados, the Commonwealth of Dom-

inica, the State of Grenada, St. Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.

Jeffrey Davidow, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Mexico.

John O'Leary, of Maine, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Chile.

Arthur Louis Schechter, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Commonwealth of The Bahamas.

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—107)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:28 p.m., until 11:45 a.m., on Wednesday, April 29, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 6921.)

Committee Meetings

JAPAN'S ECONOMY

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded hearings to examine the current state of the Japanese economy and banking system and their implications for the United States economy, after receiving testimony from Tadashi Nakamae, Nakamae International Economic Research, Tokyo, Japan; John H. Makin, American Enterprise Institute, Washington, D.C.; and David Malpass, Bear Stearns, New York, New York.

YEAR 2000 COMPUTER CONVERSION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings to examine the potential impact of the Year 2000 computer conversion problem on the U.S. and world economies, and to review efforts to address potential problems, after receiving testimony from Senator Bennett; Edward W. Kelley, Jr., Member, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Robert L. Mallett, Deputy Secretary of Commerce; William E. Kennard, Chairman, Federal Communications Commission; Mortimer L. Downey, Deputy Secretary of Transportation; and Richard A. Grasso, New York Stock Exchange, Inc., Washington, D.C.

FEDERAL R&D FUNDING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space concluded hearings to examine the state of Federal research and development (R&D) funding in the United States, focusing on America's future role in the dominance of science and

technology, after receiving testimony from Senators Bingaman, Gramm, and Lieberman; Kerri-Ann Jones, Acting Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy; Judith Rodin, Member, President's Committee of Advisors on Science and Technology, and University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia; Dan Peterson, DAP and Associates, Winter Park, Florida; and Albert H. Teich, American Association for the Advancement of Science, Washington, D.C.

MINING LAW REFORM

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management held hearings on S. 326, to provide for the reclamation of abandoned hardrock mines, S. 327, to ensure that Federal taxpayers receive a fair return for the extraction of locatable minerals on public domain lands, and S. 1102, to provide a reasonable royalty from mineral activities on Federal lands, and to create a State program for the reclamation of abandoned hardrock mining sites on Federal lands, receiving testimony from Senators Reid and Bryan; Nevada Governor, Bob Miller, Carson City; Bruce Babbitt, Secretary of the Interior; Douglas C. Yearley, Phelps Dodge Corporation, Phoenix, Arizona, on behalf of the National Mining Association; Stephen D'Esposito, Mineral Policy Center, and Jill Lancelot, Taxpayers for Common Sense, both of Washington, D.C.; Stephen D. Alfors, Alfors and Carver, Denver, Colorado; Steven C. Borell, Alaska Miners Association, Inc., Anchorage; Stephen A. Orr, Homestake Mining Company, San Francisco, California; and Roger Flynn, Western Mining Action Project, Boulder, Colorado.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

IRS

Committee on Finance: Committee held oversight hearings on the operation of the Internal Revenue Service, focusing on ethics and allegations of abuses and improper conduct by high-level agency officials, receiving testimony from Harry G. Patsalides, Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Investigations, and Yvonne D. Desjardins, Chief, Employee and Labor Relations Section, Personnel Branch, both of the Department of the Treasury; Ray Cody Mayo, Jr., Louisiana Assistant District Attorney, Shreveport; Robert Edwin Davis, Dallas, Texas, former Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Tax Division, Department of Justice; J. Earl Epstein, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and Philip A. MacNaughton, Houston, Texas.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on S.J. Res. 44, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to protect the rights of crime victims, after receiving testimony from Raymond C. Fisher, Associate Attorney General, Department of Justice; Paul G. Cassell, University of Utah College of

Law, Salt Lake City; Kathleen Krenek, Wisconsin Coalition Against Domestic Violence, Madison; Robert P. Mosteller, Duke University Law School, Durham, North Carolina; Marlene A. Young, Washington, D.C., and Norman S. Early, Jr., Denver, Colorado, both on behalf of the National Organization for Victim Assistance; and Steven J. Twist, VIAD Corporation, Scottsdale, Arizona, and former Chief Assistant Attorney General of Arizona, on behalf of the National Victims' Constitutional Amendment Network.

READING AND LITERACY INITIATIVES

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee concluded hearings to examine proposals to improve the reading and literacy skills of children and families, focusing on S. 1596 and H.R. 2614, bills to provide for reading excellence by improving in-service instructional practices for teachers who teach reading, to stimulate the development of more high-quality family literacy programs, to support extended learning-time opportunities for children, and to ensure that children can read well and independently not later than third grade, after receiving testimony from G. Reid Lyon, Chief, Child Development and Behavior Branch, National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services; Janet R. Arnowitz, Fairfax County Public Schools, both of Bethesda, Maryland; Blanche Podhajski, Stern Center for Language and Learning, Williston, Vermont; Catherine E. Snow, Committee on the Prevention of Reading Difficulties in Young Children, Cambridge, Massachusetts; Perri Klass, Boston Medical Center, Boston, Massachusetts; Charles I. Bunting, Vermont State College, Waterbury; Peggy Minnis and Raynice Brumfield, both of the District of Columbia Public Schools, Washington, D.C.; Noel C.R. Gunther, WETA Learning Project, Arlington, Virginia; and Dawnna Lancot, Danville, Vermont.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE TOOLS FOR SMALL BUSINESS

Committee on Small Business: Committee held hearings to examine environmental compliance assistance for small businesses provided by the Environmental Protection Agency under Federal laws and initiatives, environmental self-audits, and State audit privilege and qualified disclosure laws, receiving testimony from Montana State Representative Scott J. Orr, Helena, on behalf of the American Legislative Exchange Council; Benjamin Y. Cooper, Printing Industries of America, Alexandria, Virginia; Elizabeth Glass Geltman, George Washington University, Washington, D.C.; James L. King, New York Small Business Development Center, Albany, on behalf of the Association of Small Business Development Centers; and David S. Marsh, Marsh Plating Corporation, Ypsilanti, Michigan, on behalf of the National Association of Metal Finishers, the Metal Finishing Suppliers' Association, and

the American Electroplating and Surface Finishing Society.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 9 public bills, H.R. 3734–3742; and 5 resolutions, H.J. Res. 116 and H. Con. Res. 261–264, were introduced. **Page 7013**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 2807, A bill to amend the Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act of 1994 to prohibit the sale, importation, and exportation of products labeled as containing substances derived from rhinoceros or tiger, amended (H. Rept. 105–495);

S. 231, to establish the National Cave and Karst Research Institute in the State of New Mexico (H. Rept. 105–496);

H. Res. 409, providing for consideration of H.R. 3717 to prohibit the expenditure of Federal funds for the distribution of needles or syringes for the hypodermic injection of illegal drugs (H. Rept. 105–497); and

H. Res. 410, providing for consideration of H.R. 3546 to provide for a national dialogue on Social Security and to establish the Bipartisan Panel to Design Long-Range Social Security Reform (H. Rept. 105–498); and

H. Res. 411, providing for consideration of H.R. 6 to extend the authorization of programs under the Higher Education Act of 1965 (H. Rept. 105–499). **Page 7012**

Recess: The House recessed at 1:36 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m. **Page 6933**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Rhino and Tiger Product Labeling Act: H.R. 2807, amended, to amend the Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act of 1994 to prohibit the sale, importation, and exportation of products labeled as containing substances derived from rhinoceros or tiger; **Page 6936**

Fiftieth Anniversary of Sri Lanka: H. Res. 350, congratulating the people of Sri Lanka on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of their nation's independence; **Page 6939**

Cease Fire in Afghanistan: H. Con. Res. 218, amended, concerning the urgent need to establish a cease fire in Afghanistan and begin the transition toward a broad-based multiethnic government that observes international norms of behavior (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 391 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 110); **Pages 6941, 6960**

Little League Baseball: S. Con. Res. 37 expressing the sense of the Congress that Little League Baseball Incorporated was established to support and develop Little League baseball worldwide and should be entitled to all of the benefits and privileges available to nongovernmental international organizations (passed by a recorded vote of 398 yeas with none voting "no", Roll No. 111)—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages 6943, 6961**

Violence in Algeria: H. Res. 374, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the ongoing violence in Algeria; **Page 6945**

OAS and Transition of Nicaragua into a Democracy: H. Con. Res. 222, expressing the sense of Congress, congratulating the former International Support and Verification Commission of the Organization of American States (OAS-CIAV) for successfully aiding in the transition of Nicaragua from a war-ridden state into a newly formed democracy and providing continued support through the recently created Technical Cooperation Mission (OAS-TCM) which is responsible for helping to stabilize Nicaraguan democracy by supplementing institution building; **Page 6947**

Guyana's Multiparty Elections: H. Con. Res. 215, amended, congratulating the people of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana for holding multiparty elections; and **Page 6948**

Fiftieth Anniversary of the State of Israel: H.J. Res. 102, expressing the sense of the Congress on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the founding of the modern State of Israel and reaffirming the bonds of friendship and cooperation between the United States and Israel (passed by a ye and nay vote of 402 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 112). **Pages 6950, 6962**

Recess: The House recessed at 4:30 and reconvened at 5:00 p.m. **Page 6960**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 7014.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two ye and nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 6960, 6961, and 6962. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 12:00 p.m. and adjourned at 10:49 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission, the National Mediation Board, the National Commission on Libraries, and the Armed Forces Retirement Home. Testimony was heard from Stuart E. Weisberg, Chairman, Occupational Safety and Health Re-

view Commission; Ernest W. DuBester, Chairman, National Mediation Board; Jeanne Hurley Simon, Chairperson, National Commission on Libraries and Information Science; and David F. Lacy, CEO/Chairman of the Board, Armed Forces Retirement Home.

EUROPEAN MONETARY UNION

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy held a hearing on European Monetary Union. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

UNDERSTANDING VIOLENT CHILDREN

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth, and Families held a hearing on Understanding Violent Children. Testimony was heard from Rodney Hammond, M.D., Director, Division of Violence Prevention, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

AMERICAN WORKER PROJECT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on American Worker Project: Impact of Federal Workplace Agencies, Programs, and Laws on the American Worker. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FEHB PROGRAM—COMPLEMENT TO MILITARY HEALTH CARE

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Civil Service held a hearing on the FEHB Program as a Complement to Military Health Care. Testimony was heard from Representatives Stearns, Moran of Virginia, Thornberry and Watts of Oklahoma; Gary A. Christopherson, Acting Assistant Secretary, Health Affairs, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—HEALTH CARE INITIATIVES PURSUED UNDER FALSE CLAIMS ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims held an oversight hearing on health care initiatives pursued under the False Claims Act that impact hospitals. Testimony was heard from Donald K. Stern, U.S. Attorney for the District of Massachusetts and Chair, Attorney General's Advisory Committee, Department of Justice; the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Lewis Morris, Assistant Inspector General, Legal Affairs; and Robert A. Berenson, Director, Center for Health Care Plans and Providers Administration, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held a hearing on the following: H.R. 1865,

Spanish Peaks Wilderness Act of 1997; H.R. 3186, Rogue River National Forest Interchange Act of 1998; H.R. 3187, to amend the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 to exempt not-for-profit entities that hold rights-of-way on public lands from certain strict liability requirements imposed in connection with such rights-of-way; H.R. 3520, to adjust the boundaries of the Lake Chelan National Recreation Area and the adjacent Wenatchee National Forest in the State of Washington; and a measure to permit the Forest Service to sell their office in Medford, OR in order to fund an add-on to the Bureau of Land Management Medford District Office so they can co-locate. Testimony was heard from Representatives Skaggs and Hastings of Washington; Ron Stewart, Deputy Chief, Forest Service, USDA; and a public witness.

BATTLE OF MIDWAY NATIONAL MEMORIAL STUDY ACT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands and Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans held a joint hearing on H.R. 2800, Battle of Midway National Memorial Study Act. Testimony was heard from John Rogers, Deputy Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

AUTHORIZING USE OF CERTAIN LAND

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands held a hearing on H.R. 3220, to authorize the use of certain land in Merced County, California, for an elementary school. Testimony was heard from Destry T. Jarvis, Assistant Director, External Affairs, National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

HIGHER EDUCATION AMENDMENTS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified open rule providing 1 hour of general debate on H.R. 6, Higher Education Amendments of 1998, equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and the Workforce now printed in the bill, modified by the amendments printed in part 1 of the report of the Committee on Rules shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered by title and that each title shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule provides that before consideration of any other amendment it shall be in order to consider the amendment printed in part 2 of the report of the Committee on Rules, if offered by Representative Goodling or his designee. The rule provides that the amendment shall be

considered as read, shall be debatable for twenty minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. All points of order are waived against that amendment. The rule provides that if that amendment is adopted, the provisions of the amendment in the nature of a substitute as then perfected shall be considered as original text for the purpose of further amendment. The rule provides that no other amendment to the amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be in order except those printed in the Congressional Record. The rule allows for the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce votes to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives McKeon, Clay, Kildee, and Fattah.

FEDERAL FUNDS PROHIBITION— DISTRIBUTION OF NEEDLES FOR INJECTION OF ILLEGAL DRUGS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing 2 hours of debate on H.R. 3717, to prohibit the expenditure of Federal funds for the distribution of needles or syringes for the hypodermic injection of illegal drugs, equally divided and controlled by Representative Wicker and an opponent. The rule provides one motion to recommit. Testimony was heard from Representatives Hastert and Wicker.

NATIONAL DIALOGUE ON SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule providing 3 hours of debate on H.R. 3546, National Dialogue on Social Security Act of 1998. The rule provides for consideration of an amendment printed in the Congressional Record, if offered by Representative Rangel or his designee, which shall be considered as read and shall be debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Archer and Representative Stenholm.

OVERSIGHT—TECHNICAL BARRIERS TO FREE TRADE

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Technology held an oversight hearing on International Standards: Technical Barriers to Free Trade. Testimony was heard from Ray Kramer, Director, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT— PROPOSALS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment continued hearings on proposals for a Water Resources Development Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from John Zirschky, Acting Assistant Secretary (Civil Works), Department of the Army; and John H. Parcell, Associate Tax Legislative Counsel, Office of Tax Policy, Department of the Treasury.

Joint Meetings

CHINESE ACCESS TO MILITARY TECHNOLOGY

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded hearings to examine potential threats of exporting dual use and military technology to China, and to review a General Accounting Office report on the effectiveness of Tianemen sanctions restricting technology transfer, after receiving testimony from William A. Reinsch, Under Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration; Harold Johnson, Associate Director, International Relations and Trade Group, General Accounting Office; and Peter Leitner, Arlington, Virginia.

ISTEA AUTHORIZATION

Conferees continued to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 2400, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again on Thursday, April 30.

EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees met on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 3579, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

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Wednesday, April 29, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7046–7119

Measures Introduced: Nine bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2000–2008, S.J. Res. 46, S. Res. 219, and S. Con. Res. 92. **Page 7092**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 633, to amend the Petroglyph National Monument Establishment Act of 1990 to adjust the boundary of the

monument, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105-176)

S. 1069, entitled the "National Discovery Trails Act of 1997.", with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105-177)

S. 1132, to modify the boundaries of the Bandelier National Monument to include the lands within the headwaters of the Upper Alamo Watershed which drain into the Monument and which are not currently within the jurisdiction of a federal land management agency, to authorize purchase or donation of those lands, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 105-178) **Page 7092**

Measures Passed:

Printing Authority: Senate agreed to S. Res. 219, to authorize printing of the minutes of the Senate Republican and Democratic Party Conferences. **Page 7102**

50th Anniversary of Israel: Senate passed H.J. Res. 102, expressing the sense of the Congress on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the founding of the modern State of Israel and reaffirming the bonds of friendship and cooperation between the United States and Israel, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 7109**

Treaty Considered: Senate continued consideration of the Protocols to the North Atlantic Treaty of 1949 on Accession of Poland, Hungary, and the Czech Republic, with a resolution of ratification containing seven declarations and four conditions, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 7046, 7059, 7063, 7111**

Adopted:

By a unanimous vote of 97 yeas (Vote No. 108), Smith (New Hampshire)/Hutchison Amendment No. 2314, to express a condition requiring full cooperation from Poland, Hungary, and the Czech Republic with United States efforts to obtain the fullest possible accounting of captured and missing United States personnel from past military conflicts or Cold War incidents. **Page 7046**

Smith (of Oregon) (for Helms/Biden), Amendment No. 2319, to endorse the Partnership for Peace program and its objectives, to require a report setting forth the strategic rationale for NATO, to include provisions regarding payments owed by European countries to victims of the Nazis, to require reports on the future enlargement of NATO, and to require reports on the progress of Poland, Hungary, and the Czech Republic in satisfying the security requirements for membership in NATO. **Page 7077**

Rejected:

By 37 yeas to 62 nays (Vote No. 109), Hutchison Amendment No. 2317, to establish a formal process within the North Atlantic Treaty Organization for the resolution of disputes among members and between members and non-members. **Pages 7063, 7076**

Pending:

Craig Amendment No. 2316, to condition United States ratification of the protocols on specific statutory authorization for the continued deployment of United

States Armed Forces in Bosnia and Herzegovina as part of the NATO mission. **Pages 7047, 7059, 7063**

Ashcroft Amendment No. 2318, to require a Presidential certification that NATO is and will remain a defensive military alliance. **Page 7072**

Conrad/Bingaman Amendment No. 2320, to express the sense of the Senate regarding discussions with Russia on tactical nuclear weapons, increased transparency about tactical nuclear weapons, data exchange, increased war-head security, and facilitation of weapons dismantlement. **Page 7113**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the Treaty and certain amendments to be proposed thereto. **Page 7110**

Appointments:

Air Force Academy Board of Visitors: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 9355(a), appointed Senator Hollings, from the Committee on Appropriations, and Senator Cleland, At Large, to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Air Force Academy. **Page 7108**

Military Academy Board of Visitors: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 4355(a), appointed Senator Reed, At Large, to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Military Academy. **Page 7108**

Naval Academy Board of Visitors: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 6968(a), appointed Senator Mikulski, from the Committee on Appropriations, and Senator Sarbanes, At Large, to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Naval Academy. **Page 7108**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Michael Craig Lemmon, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Armenia.

Rudolf Vilem Perina, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Moldova.

Lynette Norton, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania.

Jeffrey G. Stark, of New York, to be a Judge of the United States Court of International Trade.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of Chief of the Air Force Reserve, United States Air Force.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

2 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps. **Page 7115**

Messages From the House:

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Measures Referred:

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Executive Reports of Committees:

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Amendments Submitted:

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Authority for Committees: Page 7104
Additional Statements: Page 7104
Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today.
 (Total—109) Pages 7047, 7077

Adjournment: Senate convened at 11:45 a.m., and adjourned at 7:52 p.m., until 11 a.m., on Thursday, April 30, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 7111.)

Committee Meetings

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1260, to limit the conduct of securities class actions under State law by setting national standards for stocks that are traded on the national markets, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1900, to establish a commission to examine issues pertaining to the disposition of Holocaust-era assets in the United States before, during, and after World War II, and to make recommendations to the President on further action; and

The nomination of Donna Tanoue, of Hawaii, to be a Member and Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

IRS

Committee on Finance: Committee continued oversight hearings on the operation of the Internal Revenue Service, focusing on ethics and allegations of abuses and improper conduct by high-level agency officials, receiving testimony from William A. Moncrief, Jr., Moncrief Oil Company, Fort Worth, Texas; Richard Gardner, Gardner's Tax Service, Inc., Tulsa, Oklahoma; Leroy W. Warren, Jr., National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), Washington, D.C.; David Burnham and Susan B. Long, both of Syracuse University, Syracuse, New York, on behalf of the Transitional Records Access Clearinghouse; and John Colaprete, Virginia Beach, Virginia.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of William A. Fletcher, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Chester J. Straub, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, William P. Dimitrouleas, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida, and Stephen P. Mickle, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Florida, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Fletcher was introduced by Senator Feinstein, Mr. Straub was introduced by

Senators Moynihan and D'Amato, and Representative Gilman, and Messrs. Dimitrouleas and Mickle were introduced by Senators Graham and Mack.

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee concluded hearings to examine how assistive technology should be developed into the 21st century to adequately meet the needs of persons with disabilities, focusing on proposed legislation to authorize funds for programs of the Technology-Related Assistance for Individuals with Disabilities Act of 1988 (P.L. 100-407), after receiving testimony from Judith E. Heumann, Assistant Secretary, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education; Sam Jadallah, Microsoft Corporation; Redmond, Washington; Corey L. Rowley, National Council on Independent Living, Logan, Utah; James Gashel, National Federation of the Blind, Baltimore, Maryland; Lynne Cleveland, Vermont Assistive Technology Project, Waterbury; Cris Fulford, Assessing Technology Through Awareness in Indiana (ATTAIN Project), and Craig Fulford, both of Indianapolis, Indiana; Marion Pawlek, University of New Hampshire's Institute on Disability, Concord; and Carol Smith, Knoxville, Tennessee.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held a closed business meeting to consider intelligence matters.

Committee will meet again tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 18 public bills, H.R. 3743-3760; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 265-267 and H. Res. 412, 415, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 1739, to amend the Act designating the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness to clarify certain provisions of law regarding activities authorized within the wilderness area, amended (H. Rept. 105-500);

H. Res. 413, providing for consideration of S. 1502, entitled the "District of Columbia Student Opportunity Scholarship Act of 1997" (H. Rept. 105-501);

H. Res. 414, waiving a requirement of clause 4(b) of rule XI with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 105-502); and

H.R. 860, authorize appropriations to the Department of Transportation for surface transportation research and development, amended (H. Rept. 105-503 Part 1).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Blunt to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 7120**

Prohibition of Federal Funding for Needle Exchange Programs: The House passed H.R. 3717 to prohibit the expenditure of Federal funds for the distribution of needles or syringes for the hypodermic injection of illegal drugs by a recorded vote of 287 ayes to 140 noes, Roll No. 114. **Page 7132**

Rejected the Pelosi motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Commerce with instructions to report it back to the House with an amendment that sought to allow the use of Federal funds for the distribution of needles or syringes for the hypodermic injection of illegal drugs when a Governor, state health officer, or local municipal health authority determines that such a program would reduce the rate of transmission of HIV, not encourage use of illegal drugs, and is acceptable to the affected community by a recorded vote of 149 ayes to 277 noes, Roll No. 113. **Page 7155**

The House agreed to H. Res. 409, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by a voice vote. **Page 7123**

National Dialogue on Social Security Act: The House passed H.R. 3546 to provide for a national dialogue on Social Security and to establish the Bipartisan Panel to Design Long-Range Social Security Reform by a ye and nay vote of 413 yeas to 8 nays, Roll No. 116. **Page 7168**

Rejected the Pomeroy motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Ways and Means with instructions to report it back forthwith with an amendment that adds a new section that specifies that the unified budget surplus should be reserved until Congress has taken action to save social security and the Bipartisan Panel to Design Long-Range Social Security Reform has reported its recommendations by a ye and nay vote of 197 yeas to 223 nays, Roll No. 115. **Page 7188**

H. Res. 410, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a voice vote. **Page 7158**

Committee Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Torres wherein he resigned from the Committee on Banking and Financial Services. **Page 7191**

Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 412, electing Representative Lee to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services and the Committee on Science. **Page 7191**

Higher Education Amendments of 1998: The House completed general debate and began consideration of amendments to H.R. 6 to extend the authorization of programs under the Higher Education Act of 1965. Consideration of amendments will resume on Thursday, April 30. **Page 7196**

Agreed to:

The Goodling amendment that modifies the Teacher Quality Enhancement Grants to enhance partnerships and recruit teachers to schools in need of quality teachers; provides grants to combat violent crimes against women on campuses; modifies the development of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid to assist States in awarding financial assistance; caps the interest rates for consolidation loans made on or after October 1, 1998 at a maximum rate of 8.25 per cent; and establishes application requirements for institutions that wish to offer expanded distance education programs; **Page 7209**

The Sanders amendment that encourages cost savings initiatives between institutions through joint purchases and shared use of facilities and faculty resources; **Page 7223**

The Farr amendment, as modified, that specifies the improvement of the academic knowledge of math, science, English, foreign languages, history, economics, art, civics, government, and geography teachers; **Page 7223**

The Edwards amendment, as modified, that allows for advanced managerial skills training for school principals and superintendents; **Page 7227**

The Miller of California amendment that establishes accountability for institutions that prepare teachers; and evaluates, coordinates, and disseminates teacher licensing and credentialing assessments; **Page 7228**

The Kelly amendment, as modified, that establishes a memorial scholarship program for the families of public safety officers who have died in the line of duty; **Page 7254**

The Allen amendment, as modified, that establishes the financial responsibility for institutions that fail to refund unearned institutional charges; **Page 7256**

The Lazio amendment that establishes student loan forgiveness for child care providers; **Page 7257**

The Jackson-Lee amendment, as modified, that authorizes the Secretary to assist distressed institutions; **Page 7261**

The Jackson-Lee amendment that directs a study on student loan defaults; **Page 7261**

The Souder amendment that restricts the eligibility for students suspended for drug related offenses; **Page 7263**

The Clayton amendment that requires institutions to distribute mail voter registration application forms to each student during registration; **Page 7264**

The Andrews amendment that requires a lender to inform borrowers of the availability of the income-sensitive repayment option; **Page 7264**

The Andrews amendment that establishes lender of last resort authority and procedure for the Secretary; **Page 7265**

The Gordon amendment that changes the special allowance formula from 91-day Treasury bills to the average 3-month commercial paper rate in effect; **Page 7268**

The McKeon amendment that delays the repayment for students ordered to active duty in a reserve component of the Armed Forces of the United States; **Page 7269**

The Klink amendment, as modified, that requires proof that reasonable attempts were made to locate the borrower with respect to loan defaults; **Page 7270**

The Clay amendment that defines a Hispanic serving institution as one that provides a 4-year baccalaureate program, is regionally accredited, and serves at least 1,500 Hispanic students; and **Page 7274**

The Kildee amendment that includes professional graduate degrees in translation and interpretation in the Business and International Education programs. **Page 7278**

Votes Postponed:

The Paul amendment was offered that seeks to prohibit the use of social security numbers as the electronic personal identifier for students receiving assistance; **Page 7220**

The Owens amendment that seeks to establish a post-secondary information technology recruitment program; **Page 7224**

The Roemer amendment that seeks to increase the annual loan limit for unsubsidized Stafford loans; **Page 7253**

The McGovern amendment that seeks to establish a program to increase the Pell grant awards; **Page 7266**

Withdrawn:

The Petri amendment was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to apply the use of auctions to allocate the authority to make loans among eligible lenders for any academic year; **Page 7252**

The Jackson-Lee amendment was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to obtain relief for Texas Southern University from certain obligations: **Page 7262**

The Andrews amendment was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to establish the Income Contingent Repayment Option; **Page 7269**

The Klink amendment was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to change procedures for institutions to regain eligibility; **Page 7270**

The Andrews amendment was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to reduce allowances to lenders from 2.8 percent to 2.3 percent; **Page 7271**

The Andrews amendment was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to establish consolidation loans based upon the bond equivalent rate of 91-day Treasury bills plus 2.3 percent, not to exceed 8.25 percent; **Page 7272**

H. Res. 411, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a voice vote. **Page 7191**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 7291.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 7157 and 7190. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at midnight.

Committee Meetings

BANK MERGERS

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Held a hearing on Bank Mergers. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: John D. Hawke, Jr., Under Secretary, Domestic Finance; Ellen Seidman, Director, Office of Thrift Supervision; and Julie Williams, Acting Comptroller of the Currency; Laurence Meyer, member, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; Andrew C. Hove, Jr., Acting Chairman, FDIC; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Commerce: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 3532, Nuclear Regulatory Commission Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999; H.R. 2217, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of FERC Project No. 9248 in the State of Colorado; and H.R. 2841, to extend the time required for the construction of a hydroelectric project.

TEAMSTERS INVESTIGATION

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Teamsters Investigation. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters: Marvin Levy, Independent Financial Auditor; and Michael Cherkasky, Election Officer.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

OSHA LEGISLATION

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a hearing on pending OSHA legislation (H.R. 3725, H.R. 3519, H.R. 2869, H.R. 2871, H.R. 2873, H.R. 2879 and H.R. 2661). Testimony was heard from Charles N. Jeffress, Assistant Secretary, Occupational Safety and Health, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, Department of Labor; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing on Bureau of Labor Statistics Oversight: Fixing the Consumer Price Index (Part II). Testimony was heard from Edward M. Gramlich, member, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; Katharine G. Abraham, Commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor; Bernard Ungar, Director, Government Business Operations Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

ANNUAL DRUG CERTIFICATION

Committee on International Relations: Held hearing on U.S. Annual Drug Certification. Testimony was heard from

the following former officials of the Department of State: Jeane Kirkpatrick, U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations; and Bernard Aronson, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Inter-American Affairs; Brent Scowcroft, former National Security Advisor; John Walters, former Deputy Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy; and a public witness.

TRADE IN THE AMERICAS: BEYOND THE SANTIAGO

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade held a hearing on Trade in the Americas: Beyond the Santiago. Testimony was heard from Regina Vargo, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Western Hemisphere, Department of Commerce; Richard Brown, Director, Economic Policy and Summit Coordination, Bureau of Inter-American Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported amended H.R. 3303, Department of Justice Appropriation Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 1999, 2000, and 2001.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on National Security: Special Oversight Panel on Merchant Marine approved for full Committee action recommendations on H.R. 3616, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on National Security: Special Oversight Panel on Morale, Welfare and Recreation approved for full Committee action recommendations on H.R. 3616, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Installations and Facilities approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3616, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 1021, Miles Land Exchange Act of 1997; H.R. 2556, amended, to reauthorize the North American Wetlands Conservation Act and the Partnerships for Wildlife Act; H.R. 2863, amended, Migratory Bird Treaty Reform Act; and H.R. 2886, amended, Granite Watershed Enhancement and Protection Act of 1997.

EXPEDITED PROCEDURES

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving clause 4(b) of rule XI (requiring a two-thirds vote con-

sider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against certain resolutions reported from the Rules Committee. The rule applies the waiver to a special rule reported before May 1, 1998 providing for consideration or disposition of H.R. 3579, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 20, 1998, an amendment thereto, a conference thereon, or an amendment reported in disagreement from a conference thereon.

DC STUDENT OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing 2 hours of debate on S. 1502, District of Columbia Student Opportunity Scholarship Act of 1997, equally divided between the Majority Leader or his designee and an opponent. The rule provides one motion to recommit. Testimony was heard from Representatives Arney, Norton and Scott.

PASSENGER SERVICES ACT—DOMESTIC CRUISE INDUSTRY

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing on the Effect of the Passenger Services Act on the Domestic Cruise Industry. Testimony was heard from Representatives Smith of Michigan and Taylor of Mississippi; and public witnesses.

FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Railroads held a hearing on Federal Railroad Administration Reauthorization: Human Factors Issues. Testimony was heard from Jolene Molitoris, Administrator, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation; James E. Hall, Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—NATIONAL CEMETERY SYSTEM OPERATIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Benefits held an oversight hearing on operations within the National Cemetery System. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the GAO: Stephen P. Backhus, Director, Veterans' Affairs and Military Health Care Issues; and Dave Clark, Director, Audit Oversight and Liaison; Carolyn Becraft, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Personnel, Family Support and Education, Department of Defense; Roger R. Rapp, Acting Director, National Cemetery System, Department of Veterans Affairs; Gen. Fred Woerner, USA (Ret.), Chairman, American Battle Monuments Commission; and John Vitikacs, Director, National Veterans and Rehabilitation Commission, The American Legion.

INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Ordered reported amended H.R. 3694, Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999.

Joint Meetings

EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees continued to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 3579, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, but did not complete action thereon and will meet again tomorrow.

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Thirteen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2009-2022, and S. Res. 220-222. **Page 7568**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. Res. 175, A bill to designate the week of May 3, 1998 as "National Correctional Officers and Employees Week."

S. 1900, to establish a commission to examine issues pertaining to the disposition of Holocaust-era assets in the United States before, during, and after World War II, and to make recommendations to the President on further action, and for other purposes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

Special Report entitled "Developments in Aging, Volume 3". (S. Rept. 105-36)

Special Report entitled "Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals". (S. Rept. 105-179)

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Measures Passed:

National Erase the Hate and Eliminate Racism Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 221, to designate April 30, 1998, as "National Erase the Hate and Eliminate Racism Day". **Page 7608**

Commending Stuart Balderson: Senate agreed to S. Res. 222, to commend Stuart Franklin Balderson. **Page 7608**

Resolution of Ratification Approved: By 80 yeas to 19 nays (Vote No. 117), two thirds of the Senators present having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the reso-

lution of ratification to the Protocols to the North Atlantic Treaty of 1949 on Accession of Poland, Hungary, and the Czech (Treaty Doc. 105-36, after agreeing to the committee declarations and conditions, and after taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

Stevens Modified Amendment No. 2066, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the United States share of NATO's common-funded budgets, and to require an annual limitation on the amount of United States expenditures for payments to the common-funded budgets of NATO. **Page 7487**

Stevens Modified Amendment No. 2065, to require a prior specific authorization of funds before any United States funds may be used to pay NATO enlargement costs. **Page 7485**

Nickles/Smith Amendment No. 2327, to require that the President report on the Strategic Concept of NATO. **Page 7508**

Rejected:

By 20 yeas to 80 nays (Vote No. 110), Craig Amendment No. 2316, to condition United States ratification of the protocols on specific statutory authorization for the continued deployment of United States Armed Forces in Bosnia and Herzegovina as part of the NATO mission. **Pages 7449, 7480, 7483**

By 17 yeas to 83 nays (Vote No. 111), Moynihan/Warner Amendment No. 2321, to express a condition regarding deferral of ratification of NATO enlargement until admission of Poland, Hungary, and Czech Republic to the European Union. **Pages 7456, 7484**

By 41 yeas to 59 nays (Vote No. 112), Warner/Moynihan Amendment No. 2322, to provide for a three-year pause in further NATO expansion after admission of Poland, Hungary, and the Czech Republic. **Page 7466**

By 16 yeas to 84 nays (Vote No. 113), Conrad/Bingaman Amendment No. 2320, to express the sense of the Senate regarding discussions with Russia on tactical nuclear weapons, increased transparency about tactical nuclear weapons, data exchange, increased warhead security, and facilitation of weapons dismantlement. **Pages 7449, 7491, 7500**

Ashcroft Amendment No. 2318, to require a Presidential certification that NATO is and will remain a defensive military alliance. (By 82 yeas to 18 nays (Vote No. 114), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages 7449, 7501**

By 23 yeas to 76 nays (Vote No. 115), Bingaman Amendment No. 2324, to require a certification of United States policy not to support further enlargement of NATO (other than Poland, Hungary, and the Czech Republic) until revision of the Strategic Concept of NATO is completed. **Pages 7494, 7503**

By 16 yeas to 83 nays (Vote No. 116), Smith (of New Hampshire) Amendment No. 2328, to condition United

States ratification of the protocols on specific legislative action for the continued deployment of United States Armed Forces in Bosnia and Herzegovina as part of the NATO mission. **Pages 7547, 7551**

Withdrawn:

Harkin Amendment No. 2326, to urge the examination of the compatibility of certain programs involving nuclear weapons cooperation with the obligations of the United States and other NATO members under the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons. **Page 7504**

Inhofe Amendment No. 2325, to require the President to submit the Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change to the Senate for its consideration under the Treaty Power of the Constitution. **Page 7549**

Emergency Supplemental Appropriations—Conference Report: By 88 yeas to 11 nays (Vote No. 118), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 3579, making emergency supplemental appropriations for recovery from natural disasters, and for overseas peacekeeping efforts, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 7555**

Job Training Partnership Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 1186, to provide for education and training, on Friday, May 1, 1998. **Page 7609**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report concerning the Australia Group and the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction; to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM-118). **Page 7566**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Donna Tanoue, of Hawaii, to be Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for a term of five years.

Donna Tanoue, of Hawaii, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for the remainder of the term expiring October 3, 2000.

2 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

1 Army nomination in the rank of Chief, Army Reserve, United States Army.

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

3 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Navy. **Pages 7562, 7609**

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Additional Cosponsors: **Page 7593**

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Additional Statements: **Page 7597**

Record Votes: Nine record votes were taken today. (Total—118)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 11 a.m., and adjourned at 11:11 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, May 1, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 7609.)

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL TRANSPORTATION

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings to examine the role that transportation plays in allowing U.S. producers to retain their position in global food and agricultural markets, after receiving testimony from Representative Nick Smith; Dan Glickman, Secretary of Agriculture; John Bratton, Central Soya Company, Inc., Fort Wayne, Indiana, on behalf of the National Grain and Feed Association; Gary Hall, Kansas Farm Bureau, Manhattan, on behalf of the American Farm Bureau Federation; Charles D. Rosas, Farmland Industries, Inc., Kansas City, Missouri, on behalf of the Fertilizer Institute; Allen Anderson, Harvest States Cooperative, St. Paul, Minnesota, on behalf of the National Council of Farmer Cooperatives and the Midwest Area River Coalition 2000; and Thomas A. Allegratti, American Waterways Operators, Arlington, Virginia.

APPROPRIATIONS—CUSTOMS SERVICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the United States Customs Service, focusing on programs to deter pornography on the Internet, receiving testimony from Samuel Banks, Acting Commissioner, United States Customs Service, Department of the Treasury; and Ernie Allen, National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, Arlington, Virginia.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, May 7.

APPROPRIATION—EPA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Environmental Protection Agency, receiving testimony from Carol M. Browner, Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, May 7.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported 1,288 military nominations in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force.

CREDIT UNION MEMBERSHIP ACCESS ACT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported H.R. 1151, to amend the Federal Credit Union Act to clarify existing law and ratify the longstanding policy of the National Credit Union Administration Board with regard to field membership of Federal credit unions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1325, to authorize appropriations for the Technology Administration of the Department of Commerce for fiscal years 1998, 1999, and 2000, with amendments; and

The nominations of Vice Adm. James M. Loy, USC, to be Commandant, Vice Adm. James C. Card, USC, to be Vice Commandant, Rear Adm. Thomas H. Collins, USC, to be Commander, Pacific Area, and a promotion list, all of the United States Coast Guard.

Prior to this action, committee concluded hearings on the aforementioned nominations of Messrs. Loy and Card, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Loy was introduced by Senators Inouye and Stevens.

AUTHORIZATION—FAA

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Aviation held hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Federal Aviation Administration and on implementation of the recommendations of the National Civil Aviation Review Commission, recessing testimony from Jane F. Garvey, Administrator, Federal Aviation Administration.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

PUBLIC LANDS MANAGEMENT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management resumed hearings on S. 1253, to provide to the Federal land management agencies the authority and capability to manage effectively the federal lands in accordance with the principles of multiple use and sustained yield, receiving testimony from John R. McGuire, Gaithersburg, Maryland, R. Max Peterson, Washington, D.C., F. Dale Robertson, Sedona, Arizona, and Jack Ward Thomas, Florence, Montana, each a former Chief, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; and Cy Jamison, Washington, D.C., former Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior.

Hearings continue on Tuesday, May 5.

PARK CONCESSIONS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation held hearings on proposals to improve the management of concession operations at national parks, focusing on title IV of S. 1693, to renew, reform, reinvigorate, and protect the National Park System, and S. 624, to establish a competitive process for the awarding of concession contracts in units of the National Park System, receiving testimony from Denis P. Galvin, Deputy Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; William J. Bissett, Delaware North Companies, Inc., Buffalo, New York; Philip H. Voorhees, National Parks and Conservation Association, and David L. Brown, America Outdoors, both of Washington, D.C.; Andrew N. Todd, Amfac Parks and Resorts, Aurora, Colorado, on behalf of the National Parks Hospitality Association; Craig Mackey, Outward Bound USA, Golden, Colorado; Curtis E. Cornelissen, Horwath Landauer, Boston, Massachusetts; and Robert J. Gersack, First Interstate Bank of Commerce, Livingston, Montana.

Hearings continue on Thursday, May 7.

IRS

Committee on Finance: Committee continued oversight hearings on the operation of the Internal Revenue Service, focusing on ethics and allegations of abuses and improper conduct by high-level agency officials, receiving testimony from former Senator Howard H. Baker, Jr.; former Representative James H. Quillen; Tommy A. Henderson, Special Agent, Criminal Investigation Division, Michael Ayala, Analyst (Georgia District), Minh Thi Johnson, Revenue Agent (Los Angeles, California District), Maureen O'Dwyer, International Examiner, and Ginger Mary Jarvis, Acting Team Coordinator (both of the Manhattan, New York District), and Patricia J. Gernt, former Special Agent, and Barbara Latham, former Tax Fraud Investigative Aide, both of the Criminal Investigation Division (both of the Nashville, Tennessee District), all of the Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury; and David Crockett, First District Attorney General of Tennessee.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items: The nominations of Susan Oki Mollway, to be United States District Judge for the District of Hawaii, and Arthur A. McGiverin, of Iowa, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute;

S. Res. 175, to designate the week of May 3, 1998 as "National Correctional Officers and Employees Week"; and

An original bill to amend title 17, U.S. Code, to implement the WIPO Copyright Treaty and the WIPO Per-

formances and Phonograms Treaty, to provide limitations on copyright liability relating to material online.

TOBACCO INDUSTRY

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee held hearings to examine the impact on the tobacco industry of proposed legislation relating to the increase in the price of tobacco products, focusing on whether new opportunities for the black market would be prevalent if tobacco prices rise, receiving testimony from Lawrence H. Summers, Deputy Secretary of the Treasury; John W. Hough, Senior Assistant Attorney General, Olympia, Washington; Ron J. Martelle, FIA Specialist Investigations Group Inc., Cornwall, Ontario, Canada; David J. Adelman, Morgan Stanley Dean Witter, New York, New York; and David Sweanor, Smoking and Health Action Foundation, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

HEALTH CARE TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Subcommittee on Public Health and Safety concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for the Agency for Health Care Policy and Research, focusing on the Agency's contribution to technology assessment and health care quality improvement, after receiving testimony from John M. Eisenberg, Administrator, Agency for Health Care Policy and Research, Department of Health and Human Services; David A. Kindig, University of Wisconsin, Madison, on behalf of the Association for Health Services Research; Elizabeth A. McGlynn, RAND, Santa Monica, California; Gerben DeJong, National Rehabilitation Hospital Research Center, Washington, D.C.; Phil B. Fontanarosa, Northwestern University Medical School, and J. Dunkin Moore, Jr., on behalf of the Association of Health Care Journalists, both of Chicago, Illinois; and Susan Dentzer, Chevy Chase, Maryland.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee will meet again on Tuesday, May 5.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 23 public bills, H.R. 3764–3786; 4 private bills, H.R. 3761–3763; and 6 resolutions, H.J. Res. 117, H. Con. Res. 268–270, and H. Res. 417, 418 were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Conference report on H.R. 3579, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998 (H. Rept. 105–504); and

H. Res. 416, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 3579, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998 (H. Rept. 105–505).

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, the Rev. Thomas Kuhn of Centerville, Ohio.

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District of Columbia Student Opportunity Scholarship Act of 1997: The House passed S. 1502, entitled the "District of Columbia Student Opportunity Scholarship Act of 1997" by a recorded vote of 214 yeas to 206 noes with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 119—clearing the measure for the President.

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Rejected the Norton motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight by a recorded vote of 198 yeas to 224 noes, Roll No. 118.

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H. Res. 413, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to earlier by yeas and nays vote of 224 yeas to 199 nays, Roll No. 117.

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Recess: The House recessed at 3:14 p.m. and reconvened at 4:02 p.m.

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Expedited Procedures—Emergency Appropriations: The House agreed to H. Res. 414, waiving a requirement of clause 4(b) of rule XI with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules by yeas and nays vote of 211 yeas to 196 nays, Roll No. 120.

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Emergency Supplemental Appropriations: The House agreed to the Conference Report on H.R. 3579, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998 by a yeas and nays vote of 242 yeas to 163 nays with 2 voting "present", Roll No. 121.

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Agreed to H. Res. 416, the rule that provided for consideration of the conference report by a voice vote.

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Late Report: The Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence received permission to have until midnight on Monday, May 4 to file a report on H.R. 3694, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System.

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Legislative Program: The Majority Whip announced the Legislative Program for the week of May 4.

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Meeting Hour—Monday, May 4: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, May 4. **Page 7402**

Meeting Hour—Tuesday, May 5: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 5 for Morning Hour debates. **Page 7402**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday, May 6. **Page 7402**

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted his certification in connection with condition (7)(C)(i), Effectiveness of Australia Group, of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–246). **Page 7402**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 7318.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 7417.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 7330, 7379, 7381, and 7400. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress.

HOME IMPROVEMENT FINANCING— CONSUMER ABUSES

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity held a hearing on Consumer Abuses in Home Improvement Financing. Testimony was heard from Representatives Fox of Pennsylvania and Bentsen; Stanley J. Czerwinski, Associate Director, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, GAO; Kathryn Kuhl-Inclan, Assistant Inspector General, Audit, Department of Housing and Urban Development; and public witnesses.

ELECTRONIC COMMERCE

Committee on Commerce: Held a hearing on Electronic Commerce: The Marketplace of the 21st Century. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ISSUANCE OF SUBPOENAS

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations met and authorized the issuance of subpoenas in connection with the Subcommittee's Portals investigation.

REFORMING BILINGUAL EDUCATION

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth, and Families held a hearing on Reforming Bilingual Education. Testimony was heard from Representatives Livingston and Becerra; and public witnesses.

TEAMSTERS INVESTIGATION

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations continued hearings on the Teamsters Investigation. Testimony was heard from John J. Sweeney, President, AFL-CIO.

VENEZUELAN MONEY AND THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Held a hearing on "Venezuelan Money and the Presidential Election". Testimony was heard from the following officials of the District Attorney's Office, New York County: Richard T. Preiss, Assistant District Attorney, Senior Investigative Counsel; and Joseph J. Dawson, Assistant District Attorney; and a public witness.

CAUCASUS AND CENTRAL ASIA—U.S. ROLE

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on the U.S. Role in the Caucasus and Central Asia. Testimony was heard from Frederico Peña, Secretary of Energy; the following officials of the Department of State: Steve Sestanovich, Ambassador at Large for the Independent States; and Ambassador Richard Morningstar, Special Advisor to the President and the Secretary of State and Coordinator of Assistance to the Newly Independent States; and Don Pressley, Acting Assistant Administrator, Europe and the New Independent State, AID, U.S. International Development Cooperation Agency.

U.S. POLICY OPTIONS TOWARD CHINA

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific held a hearing on U.S. Policy Options Toward China: Rule of Law and Democracy Programs. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

PRIVATE TRUSTEE REFORM ACT

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law approved for full Committee action H.R. 2592, Private Trustee Reform Act of 1997.

CITIZEN PROTECTION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on the Constitution approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3168, Citizen Protection Act of 1998.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property approved for full Committee action amended the following bills: H.R. 3723, United States Patent and Trademark Office Authorization Act, Fiscal Year 1999; and H.R. 1690, to amend title 28 of the United States Code regarding enforcement of child custody orders.

CHILD PROTECTION AND SEXUAL PREDATOR PUNISHMENT ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime held a hearing on H.R. 3494, Child Protection and Sexual Predator Punishment Act of 1998, and related measures. Testimony was heard from Representatives Franks of New Jersey, Pryce of Ohio, Riley, Weller, Gutknecht, Lampson and Slaughter; Kevin DiGregory, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; and a public witness.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 2431, amended, Freedom From Religious Persecution Act of 1997; and H.R. 3736, Workforce Improvements and Protection Act of 1998.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Personnel approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3616, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Readiness approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3616, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999.

OVERSIGHT—WEST COAST GROUND FISH ISSUE

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans held an oversight hearing on West Coast Groundfish Issue. Testimony was heard from Senator Wyden; Rolland Schmitten, Assistant Administrator, Fisheries, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on the following: H.R. 1282, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain facilities of the Minidoka project to the Burley Irrigation District, and for other purposes; H.R. 1943, Carlsbad Irrigation Project Acquired Land Transfer Act; H.R. 2161, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Palmetto Bend Project to the State of Texas; H.R. 2506, Collbran

Project Unit Conveyance Act; H.R. 3056, to provide for the preservation and sustainability of the family farm through the transfer of responsibility for operation and maintenance of the Flathead Indian Irrigation Project, Montana; H.R. 3677, to authorize and direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain works, facilities, and titles of the Gila Project, and Designated Lands within or adjacent to the Gila project, to the Welton-Mohawk Irrigation and Drainage District; H.R. 3687, to authorize prepayment of amounts due under a water reclamation project contract for the Canadian River Project, Texas; H.R. 3706, Clear Creek Distribution System Conveyance Act; and H.R. 3715, Pine River Project Conveyance Act. Testimony was heard from Representative McInnis; the following officials of the Department of the Interior: Eluid Martinez, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation; and Ross Mooney, Acting Director, Office of Trust Responsibilities, Bureau of Indian Affairs; and public witnesses.

CONFERENCE REPORT—EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a vote of 6 to 4, a rule waiving all points or order against the conference report accompanying H.R. 3579, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard from Chairman Livingston and Representative Obey.

AVIATION MATTERS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation continued hearings on the impact of recent alliances, international agreements, DOT actions, and pending legislation on air fares, air services, and competition in the airline industry. Testimony was heard from Charles A. Hunnicutt, Assistant Secretary, Aviation and International Affairs, Department of Transportation; John Nannes, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Anti-Trust Division, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Economic Development approved for full Committee action the following measures: H.R. 2730, to designate the Federal building located at 309 North Church Street in Dyersburg, Tennessee, as the "Jere Cooper Federal Building;" H.R. 2225, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse to be constructed on Las Vegas Boulevard between Bridger Avenue and Clark Avenue in Las Vegas, NV, as the "Lloyd D. George Federal Building and United States Courthouse;" H.R. 3453, to designate the Federal Building and Post Office located at 100 East B Street, Casper, Wyoming, as the "Dick Cheney Federal

Building;" H.R. 3295, to designate the Federal building located at 1301 Clay Street in Oakland, California, as the "Ronald V. Dellums Federal Building;" H.R. 3504, amended, John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts Authorization Act; H. Con. Res. 255, amended, authorizing the use of the Capitol grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby; H. Con. Res. 265, authorizing the use of the East Front of the Capitol Grounds for performances sponsored by the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts; H. Con. Res. 262, amended, authorizing the 1998 District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run to be run through the Capitol Grounds; and H. Con. Res. 263, amended, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the seventeenth annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service.

U.S. CUSTOMS SERVICE ISSUES

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade held a hearing on U.S. Customs Service Issues. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Samuel H. Banks, Acting Commissioner, U.S. Customs Service; and Dennis Schindel, Assistant Inspector General, Audit; and public witnesses.

distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, and for other purposes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105-180) **Page 7701**

Measures Passed:

National Correctional Officers and Employees Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 175, to designate the week of May 3, 1998, as "National Correctional Officers and Employees Week". **Page 7803**

U.S. Holocaust Assets Commission Act: Senate passed S. 1900, to establish a commission to examine issues pertaining to the disposition of holocaust-era assets in the United States before, during, and after World War II, and to make recommendations to the President on further action, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto as follows: **Page 7803**

Kyl (for D'Amato) Amendment No. 2335, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 7804**

Job Training Partnership Act: Committee on Labor and Human Resources was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1385, to consolidate, coordinate, and improve employment, training, literacy, and vocational rehabilitation programs in the United States, and the Senate struck all after the enacting clause and inserted in lieu thereof the text of S. 1186, Senate companion measure, as amended. **Page 7627**

Prior to this action, Senate concluded consideration of S. 1186, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and after taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

Adopted:

Jeffords Amendment No. 2329, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 7676**

DeWine Amendment No. 2330 (to Amendment No. 2329), to extend the authorizations of appropriations for the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and to simplify the vocational rehabilitation system, increase consumer involvement in the process, and coordinate the State vocational education program with other Federal employment programs. **Page 7679**

Ashcroft Amendment No. 2331 (to Amendment No. 2329), to prohibit the use of funds to carry out activities authorized under the School-to-Work Opportunities Act of 1994. **Page 7682**

Ashcroft Amendment No. 2332 (to Amendment No. 2329), to establish a requirement that individuals submit to drug tests, to ensure that applicants and participants make full use of benefits extended through training services. **Page 7683**

Jeffords (for Lautenberg) Amendment No. 2333 (to Amendment No. 2329), to provide for a right for certain large units of general local government to submit appeals concerning designation as local areas. **Page 7685**

Joint Meetings

EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 3579, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998.

ISTEA

Conferees continued to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 2400, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

Friday, May 1, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, page 7627-7811

Measures Introduced: Six bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2023-2028. **Page 7701**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1415, to reform and restructure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and

Jeffords (for Domenici) Amendment No. 2334 (to Amendment No. 2329), to establish demonstration projects to locate secondary schools at community college sites to conduct tech-prep programs. **Page 7686**

Subsequently, S. 1186 was returned to the Senate calendar. **Page 7693**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of H.R. 1385, listed above, on Tuesday, May 5, 1998, with a vote to occur thereon at 5:30 p.m. **Pages 7693, 7806**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Natalia Combs Greene, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

Neal E. Kravitz, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years. **Page 7811**

Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nomination:

Kevin Emanuel Marchman, of Colorado, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, vice Joseph Shuldiner, which was sent to the Senate on March 19, 1997, and on January 29, 1998. **Page 7811**

Statements on Introduced Bills: **Page 7701**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page 7706**

Amendments Submitted: **Page 7706**

Authority for Committees: **Page 7801**

Additional Statements: **Page 7801**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 1:34 p.m., until 11 a.m., on Monday, May 4, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 7806.)

Committee Meetings

IRS

Committee on Finance: Committee continued oversight hearings on the operation of the Internal Revenue Service, focusing on ethics and allegations of abuses and improper conduct by high-level agency officials, receiving testimony from Charles O. Rossotti, Commissioner, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session. It will next meet on Monday, May 4.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

Monday, May 4, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7831-7912

Measures Introduced: Two bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2029 and 2030 and S. Con. Res. 93. **Page 7896**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1882, to reauthorize the Higher Education Act of 1965, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105-181)

S. 1260, to amend the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to limit the conduct of securities class actions under State law, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105-182) **Page 7896**

IRS Reform: Senate began consideration of H.R. 2676, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service, with a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages 7835, 7893**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Tuesday, May 5, 1998.

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed for the following treaty:

Convention on Combating Bribery of Foreign Public Officials in International Business Transactions. (Treaty Doc. 105-43)

The Convention was transmitted to the Senate on May 1, 1998, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and was ordered to be printed. **Page 7911**

Messages From the House: **Page 7895**

Communications: **Page 7895**

Statements on Introduced Bills: **Page 7896**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page 7898**

Amendments Submitted: **Page 7900**

Notices of Hearings: **Page 7904**

Additional Statements: **Page 7904**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 11 a.m., and adjourned at 5:17 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, May 5, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on Page 7912.)

Committee Meetings

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Personnel met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration those provisions which fall within the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999.

Quorum Calls—Votes: No quorum calls or recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: Met at 2:00 p.m. and adjourned at 2:03 p.m.

Committee Meetings

UNION DEMOCRACY IMPEDIMENTS

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations held a hearing on Impediments to Union Democracy. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—FEDERAL REAL PROPERTY POLICY

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held a oversight hearing on Federal Real Property Policy. Testimony was heard from Representative Pombo; David Barram, Administrator, GSA; Ida Ruben, member, Senate, State of Maryland; Dan Billbrey, Mayor, City of Tracy, California; and public witnesses.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 1 public bill, H.R. 3788 was introduced. **Page 7828**

Speaker pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Pease to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 7823**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 7823.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 7829.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

SECOND SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House.
The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 27 through April 30, 1998

	<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Days in session	51	37	..
Time in session	393 hrs., 21"	276 hrs., 57"	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	3,960	2,737	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	731	..
Public bills enacted into law	11	8	19
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	..	..
Bills in conference	3	4	..
Measures passed, total	60	139	199
Senate bills	5	13	..
House bills	11	56	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
House joint resolutions	1	2	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	6	2	..
House concurrent resolutions	4	11	..
Simple resolutions	33	55	..
Measures reported, total	*42	*94	136
Senate bills	21	1	..
House bills	9	57	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	3	..	..
House concurrent resolutions .....	..	2	..
Simple resolutions	9	34	..
Special reports	5	1	..
Conference reports .....	..	3	..
Measures pending on calendar	146	44	..
Measures introduced, total	543	864	1,407
Bills	455	699	..
Joint resolutions	7	11	..
Concurrent resolutions	22	70	..
Simple resolutions	59	84	..
Quorum calls	1	5	..
Yea-and-nay votes	118	58	..
Recorded votes .....	..	58	..
Bills vetoed .....	..	..	..
Vetoës overridden	1	1	..

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 27 through April 30, 1998

Civilian nominations, totaling 236, (including 124 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	63
Unconfirmed	162
Withdrawn	11
Civilian nominations (FS, PHS, CG, NOAA), totaling 1,036, (including 86 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	307
Unconfirmed	729
Air Force nominations, totaling 2,194, (including 21 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	2,119
Unconfirmed	75
Army nominations, totaling 1,525, (including 2 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,251
Unconfirmed	274
Navy nominations, totaling 374, (including 4 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	76
Unconfirmed	298
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 1,742, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	876
Unconfirmed	866
<i>Summary</i>	
Total nominations carried over from the First Session	237
Total nominations received this session	6,870
Total confirmed	4,692
Total unconfirmed	2,404
Total withdrawn	11

*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 21 reports have been filed in the Senate, a total of 98 reports have been filed in the House.

May 5, 1998

Tuesday, May 5, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7921–8082

Measures Introduced: Five bills were introduced as follows: S. 2031–2035. **Page 8061**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1618, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to improve the protection of consumers against “slamming” by telecommunications carriers, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 105–183)

S. 442, to establish a national policy against State and local government interference with interstate commerce on the Internet or interactive computer services, and to exercise Congressional jurisdiction over interstate commerce by establishing a moratorium on the imposition of exactions that would interfere with the free flow of commerce via the Internet, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–184) **Page 8061**

Measures Passed:

Job Training Partnership Act: By 91 yeas to 7 nays (Vote No. 119), Senate passed H.R. 1385, to consolidate, coordinate, and improve employment, training, literacy, and vocational rehabilitation programs in the United States, as previously amended. **Page 7951**

Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees: Senators Jeffords, Coats, Gregg, Frist, DeWine, Enzi, Hutchison, Collins, Warner, McConnell, Kennedy, Dodd, Harkin, Mikulski, Bingaman, Wellstone, Murray, and Reed. **Page 8052**

National Eating Disorders Awareness Day: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 197, designating May 6, 1998, as “National Eating Disorders Awareness Day” to heighten awareness and stress prevention of eating disorders, and the measure was then agreed to. **Page 8079**

IRS Reform: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 2676, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service, with a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

Pages 7935, 7949, 8054

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and certain amendments to be proposed thereto. **Page 8054**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Wednesday, May 6, 1998.

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report concerning the national emergency with respect to Sudan; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–119).

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Transmitting the report entitled “The State of Small Business”; referred to the Committee on Small Business. (PM–120).

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Transmitting the report on the Pemigewasset River in New Hampshire; referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. (PM–121).

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Norman Y. Mineta, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority for a term of six years. (New Position)

Hans Mark, of Texas, to be Director of Defense Research and Engineering, vice Anita K. Jones, resigned.

Clyde J. Hart, Jr., of New Jersey, to be Administrator of the Maritime Administration, vice Albert J. Herberger, resigned.

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Messages From the President:

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Communications:

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Statements on Introduced Bills:

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Amendments Submitted:

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Notices of Hearings:

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Authority for Committees:

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Additional Statements:

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total–119)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:17 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, May 6, 1998. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today’s Record on page 8080.)

Committee Meetings

AVIATION COMPETITION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation and Related Agencies concluded hearings to examine the state of competition in the aviation industry, focusing on airline ticketing and related antitrust enforcement practices, after receiving testimony from Patrick V. Murphy, Jr., Deputy Assistant Secretary of Transportation; Alfred Kahn, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York; Darryl Jenkins, George Washington University, and Larry Darby, Darby Associates, both of Washington, D.C.; Borden Burr, All Seasons Travel Agency, Birmingham, Alabama; and Lauraday Kelley, Cruiselink, Hummelstown, Pennsylvania.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Acquisition and Technology met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration those provisions which fall within the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on AirLand Forces met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration those provisions which fall within the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration those provisions which fall within the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Seapower met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration those provisions which fall within the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration those provisions which fall within the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999.

NOMINATION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Deborah K. Kilmer, of Idaho, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce, after the nominee testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

PUBLIC LAND MANAGEMENT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management resumed hearings on S. 1253, to provide to the Federal land management agencies the authority and capability to manage effectively the federal lands in accordance with the principles of multiple use and sustained yield, receiving testimony from William H. Meadows and Mike Anderson, both of the Wilderness Society, Washington, D.C.; and Todd True Earthjustice Legal Defense Fund, Seattle, Washington.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

D.C. STUDENT OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP ACT

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring, and the District of Columbia concluded hearings to examine the impact of S. 1502, District of Columbia Student Opportunity Scholarship Act if enacted into law, after receiving testimony from Virginia Walden and Wesley Walker-Bey, both of Washington, D.C.

CHILD SAFETY

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee concluded hearings to examine the progress over the last ten years of the National SAFE KIDS Campaign in the prevention of childhood injuries, after receiving testimony from Ann Brown, Chairman, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission; Ricardo Martinez, Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation; C. Everett Koop, former U.S. Surgeon General, and Heather Paul, Washington, D.C., both on behalf of the National SAFE KIDS Campaign; Ralph S. Larsen, Johnson & Johnson, New Brunswick, New Jersey; Robert C. Lange, General Motors Corporation, Warren, Michigan; Greg LeMond, Wayzata, Minnesota; Mikaela Matton, Marietta, Georgia; and Cullen Dwyer, Pembroke, Massachusetts.

COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Subcommittee on Children and Families concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds to expand opportunities for community and neighborhood partnerships through the Community Services Block Grant program, after receiving testimony from Don Sykes, Director, Office of Community Services, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services; Evelyn Harris, New York State Division of Community Services, Albany; Gloria Clark, City of Los Angeles Department of Housing and Neighborhood Services, Los Angeles, California; E. Phillip McKain, CTE Inc., Stamford, Connecticut; Jerry Rickett, Kentucky Highlands Investment Corporation, London, Kentucky; Robert L. Woodson, Sr., National Center for Neighborhood Enterprise, and Tyrone C. Parker, Alliance of Concerned Men, both of Washington, D.C.; and Robert E. Friedman, Corporation for Enterprise Development, San Francisco, California.

BUSINESS MEETING

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to consider certain intelligence matters, but made no announcements, and will meet again tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 9 public bills, H.R. 3789–3797, and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 271, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 1021, to provide for a land exchange involving certain National Forest System lands within the Routt National Forest in the State of Colorado. (H. Rept. 105–506);

H. Res. 419, providing for consideration of H.R. 1872, amend the Communications Satellite Act of 1962 to promote competition and privatization in satellite communications (H. Rept. 105–507);

H.R. 3694, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System (H. Rept. 105–508).

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Speaker pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Emerson to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, the Rev. Richard Lothian, III of Somerset, New Jersey.

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Recess: The House recessed at 1:07 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Madrid Protocol Implementation Act: H.R. 567, to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 to provide for the registration and protection of trademarks used in commerce, in order to carry out provisions of certain international conventions;

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American Terrorism Victims: H. Con. Res. 220, amended, regarding American victims of terrorism (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 406 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 125); and

Pages 8092, 8108

Use of Illegal Drugs: H. Res. 267, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the citizens of the United States must remain committed to combat the distribution, sale, and use of illegal drugs by the Nation's youth (agreed to by ye and nay vote of 408 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 126).

Pages 8095, 8109

Recess: The House recessed at 3:23 p.m. and reconvened at 5:00 p.m.

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Higher Education Amendments of 1998: The House resumed consideration of amendments to H.R. 6 to extend the authorization of programs under the Higher Education Act of 1965. The House completed general de-

bate and began consideration of amendments to the bill on Wednesday, April 29.

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Agreed To:

The McGovern amendment that establishes a program to increase the Pell grant awards (agreed to by a recorded vote of 220 yeas to 187 noes, Roll No. 124).

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Rejected:

The Paul amendment, debated on April 29, that sought to prohibit the use of social security numbers as the electronic personal identifier for students receiving assistance (rejected by a recorded vote of 112 yeas to 286 noes, Roll No. 122); and

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The Owens amendment, debated on April 29, that sought to establish a postsecondary information technology recruitment program (rejected by a recorded vote of 172 yeas to 234 noes, Roll No. 123).

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Vacate Proceedings:

Agreed by unanimous consent to vacate the April 29 request for a recorded vote on the Roemer amendment that sought to increase the annual loan limit for unsubsidized Stafford loans and further vacate in its entirety the proceedings by which the Committee considered and adopted that amendment by voice vote.

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Order of business:

Agreed by unanimous consent that debate on amendment numbered 73, printed in the Congressional Record, and all amendments thereto, be limited to two hours, equally divided and controlled by Representative Riggs or his designee and Representative Clay or his designee.

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Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

National Emergency Re Sudan: Message wherein he transmits his report on the national emergency with respect to Sudan—referred to International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–247);

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Pemigewasset River in New Hampshire: Message wherein he transmits his report on the Pemigewasset River in New Hampshire—referred to the Committee on Resources; and

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State of Small Business: Message wherein he transmits his annual report on the state of small business—referred to the Committee on Small Business.

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Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 8152.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two ye and nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 8104, 8106, 8107, 8108, and 8109. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 10:39 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DOLLARS TO THE CLASSROOM ACT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Held a hearing on H.R. 3248, Dollars to the Classroom Act. Testimony was heard from Senator Hutchinson of Arkansas; Representatives Pitts, Tierney and DeLauro; Linda Schrenko, Superintendent to Schools, State of Georgia; Frank Brogan, Commissioner of Education, State of Florida; Robert Bartman, Commissioner of Education, State of Missouri; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—2000 CENSUS: REVISITING THE 1990 CENSUS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on the Census held an oversight hearing on 2000 Census: Revisiting the 1990 Census. Testimony was heard from Representatives Sawyer and Petri; Kenneth Darga, Demographer, Department of Management and Budget, State of Michigan; and public witnesses.

RWANDA: GENOCIDE AND THE CONTINUING CYCLE OF VIOLENCE

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights held a hearing on Rwanda: Genocide and the Continuing Cycle of Violence. Testimony was heard from Richard McCall, Chief of Staff, AID, U.S. International Development Agency; and public witnesses.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Procurement met in executive session and approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3616, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Research and Development met in executive session and approved for full Committee action H.R. 3616, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999.

COMMUNICATIONS SATELLITE COMPETITION AND PRIVATIZATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 1872, Communications Satellite Competition and Privatization Act of 1997. The rule makes in order as an original bill for the purpose of amendment the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Commerce now printed in the bill, which shall be considered as read. The rule provides for consideration of only those amendments that have been pre-printed in the Congressional Record. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fif-

teen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Bliley and Representative Markey.

OVERSIGHT—PENSION ISSUES

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight continued oversight hearings on various pension issues. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

IMF

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded hearings to examine issues relating to a proposed expansion of the International Monetary Fund and its impact on international economic policy, focusing on IMF bailouts, loan subsidies, and finances, after receiving testimony from Paul A. Volcker, former Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; George P. Schultz, Hoover Institution, Stanford, California, former Secretary of State; and Larry Lindsey, American Enterprise Institute, and William A. Niskanen, CATO Institute, both of Washington, D.C.

Wednesday, May 6, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8174–8248

Measures Introduced: Four bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2036–2039, S. Con. Res. 94, and S. Res. 223–224. **Page 8232**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2037, to amend title 17, United States Code, to implement the WIPO Copyright Treaty and the WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty, to provide limitations on copyright liability relating to material online, and for other purposes. **Page 8232**

Measures Passed:

International Exchange of Advanced Technologies: Senate agreed to S. Res. 224, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding an international project to evaluate and facilitate the exchange of advanced technologies. **Page 8247**

IRS Reform: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 2676, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service, with a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute,

taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

Pages 8174, 8209

Adopted:

By 56 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. 120), Roth Amendment No. 2339, to ensure compliance with Federal budget requirements. Pages 8174, 8185, 8187

Reid Modified Amendment No. 2342, to require a study of the provisions of section 7623 of the Internal Revenue code to provide payments for detection of underpayments and fraud. Page 8193

Kerrey (for Leahy/Ashcroft) Amendment No. 2343, to provide electronic access to Internal Revenue Service information on the Internet. Pages 8196, 8225

Dorgan/Reid Amendment No. 2344, to require a study to examine the transfer pricing enforcement efforts of the Internal Revenue Service. Page 8199

Graham Amendment No. 2347, to require 1 member of the Internal Revenue Service Oversight Board to be a representative of small business. Page 8202

Kerrey (for Kohl/Feingold) Amendment No. 2357, to provide for an independent review of the investigation of the equal employment opportunity process of the Internal Revenue Service offices located in the area of Milwaukee and Waukesha, Wisconsin. Page 8224

Ashcroft/Leahy Amendment No. 2348, to strike the presumption that electronic verifications are treated as actually submitted and subscribed by a person. Page 8226

Rejected:

Kerrey Modified Amendment No. 2340, to ensure compliance with Federal budget requirements. Pages 8175, 8178

By 25 yeas to 74 nays (Vote No. 121), Bond Amendment No. 2341, to establish a full-time Board of Governors for the Internal Revenue Service. Pages 8190, 8197

Pending:

Thompson/Sessions Amendment No. 2356, to strike the exemptions from criminal conflict laws for board member from employee organization. Page 8212

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and certain amendments to be proposed thereto. Page 8209

A further consent agreement was reached providing that following passage of the bill, the Senate insist on its amendments, request a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate. Page 8209

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Thursday, May 7, 1998.

Appointment:

Canada-U.S. Interparliamentary Group: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 276d-276g, as amended, appointed the following Senators as members of the Senate Delegation to the Canada-U.S. Interparliamentary Group during the Second Session

of the 105th Congress, to be held in Nantucket, Massachusetts, May 14-18, 1998: Senators Grassley and Grams.

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Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report concerning the proposed agreement for Cooperation Between the United States of America and Ukraine for Cooperation Concerning Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy; to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM-122). Page 8230

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

L. Britt Snider, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Central Intelligence Agency.

28 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral. Page 8248

Messages From the President: Page 8230

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—121) Pages 8187, 8198

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:21 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, May 7, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 8248.)

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense, focusing on the United States Pacific Command, receiving testimony from Adm. Joseph W. Prueher, U.S. Navy, Commander in Chief, United States Pacific Command.

Subcommittee will meet again on Monday, May 11.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in closed session to begin markup of proposed legislation to authorize funds for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, and to prescribe military personal strengths for fiscal year 1999, and related proposals, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

COMMON CARRIER BUREAU

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications concluded oversight hearings to examine the activities of the Common Carrier Bureau of the Federal Communications Commission, focusing on its implementation of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, after receiving testimony from A. Richard Metzger, Jr., Chief, Common Carrier Bureau, Federal Communications Commission; Ronald J. Binz, Competition Policy Institute, Denver, Colorado; and Earl W. Comstock, Sher & Blackwell, Albert Halprin, Halprin, Temple, Goodman & Sugrue, and Peter W. Huber, Kellogg, Huber, Hansen, Todd & Evans, on behalf of the Manhattan Institute for Policy Research, all of Washington, D.C.

NEVADA PUBLIC LANDS MANAGEMENT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management concluded hearings on S. 94 and H.R. 449, bills to provide for the orderly disposal of certain Federal lands in Clark County, Nevada, and to provide for the acquisition of environmentally sensitive lands in the State of Nevada, after receiving testimony from Senators Reid and Bryan; Representatives Ensign and Gibbons; Tom Fry, Deputy Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; Mayor Michael L. Montandon, North Las Vegas, Nevada; and Lance Malone and Mary Kincaid, both of the Clark County Board of Commissioners, and Rosemary Vassiliadis, Clark County Department of Aviation, all of Las Vegas, Nevada.

KOSOVO

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on European Affairs held hearings to examine the status of human rights violations and United States foreign policy in Kosovo, receiving testimony from Robert S. Gelbard, Special Representative of the President and the Secretary of State for Implementation of the Dayton Peace Accords; and John Fox, Open Society Institute, James R. Hooper, Balkan Institute, and Joseph J. DioGuardi, Albanian American Civic League, all of Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

TRIBAL SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1691, to provide for Indian legal reform, focusing on the status of tribal sovereign immunity and the role it plays to preserve the Federal Government's protection of tribal self-government, and its impact on Indian economic development, commercial dealings, and taxation, after receiving testimony from Thomas L. LeClaire, Director, Office of Tribal Justice, Department of Justice; Dale Webb, Mescalero Apache Tribe, Mescalero, New Mexico; Pedro Johnson and Jackson King, both of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe, Mashantucket, Connecticut; Wendell Askenette, Menominee Indian Tribe of Wis-

consin, Keshena; Milton Bluehouse, Sr., and Britt E. Clapham, II, both of the Navajo Nation, Window Rock, Arizona; Eric D. Eberhard, Dorsey and Whitney, Seattle, Washington; Dennis A. Ferdon, Anderson and Ferdon, Norwich, Connecticut; Richard A. Goren, Rubin, Hay and Gould, Framingham, Massachusetts; Gregory A. Abbott, Weinblatt and Gaylord, St. Paul, Minnesota; and Bernard J. Gamache, Wapato, Washington.

AUTHORIZATION—INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to begin markup of proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for intelligence and intelligence related activities of the United States Government, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

MEDICARE

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded hearings to examine the status of the Health Care Financing Administration's development of its information campaign, and recommendations on ways to help beneficiaries make informed choices among Medicare health plans and other related resources, after receiving testimony from Michael Hash, Deputy Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; William J. Scanlon, Director, Health Financing and Systems Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; and Susan Kleimann, Kleimann Communications Group, Geraldine Dallek, Institute for Health Care Research and Policy/Georgetown University, and David S. Abernathy, HIP Health Plans, all of Washington, D.C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 7 public bills, H.R. 3798–3804; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 272 and H. Res. 421, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 2217, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of FERC Project Number 9248 in the State of Colorado (H. Rept. 105–509);

H.R. 2841, to extend the time required for the construction of a hydroelectric project (H. Rept. 105–510);

H. Res. 420, providing for consideration of H.R. 3694, authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System (H. Rept. 105–511);

H. Con. Res. 262, authorizing the 1998 District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run to be run through the Capitol Grounds, amended (H. Rept. 105-512);

H. Con. Res. 265, authorizing the use of the East Front of the Capitol Grounds for performances sponsored by the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. (H. Rept. 105-513); and

H. Con. Res. 263, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the seventeenth annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service, amended (H. Rept. 105-514).

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, the Rev. Dr. George Docherty of Alexandria, Pennsylvania.

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BESTEA Conference Appointments: As additional conferees on H.R. 2400, from the Committee on Ways and Means for consideration of title XI of the House bill and title VI of the Senate amendment and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Nussle, Hulshof, and Rangel. From the Committee on the Budget for consideration of title VII and title X of the House bill and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Parker, Radanovich, and Spratt.

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Communications Satellite Competition and Privatization Act: The House passed H.R. 1872, to amend the Communications Satellite Act of 1962 to promote competition and privatization in satellite communications by a recorded vote of 403 ayes to 16 noes with 2 voting "present", Roll No. 129.

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Agreed To:

The Traficant amendment, as modified, that specifies that annual reports to the Congress include the impact that privatization has had on U.S. industry, jobs, and industry access to the global marketplace; and

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The Gilman amendment that specifies that the reporting and consultation provisions of the bill shall also include the House Committee on International Relations and Senate Committee on Foreign Relations.

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Rejected:

The Morella amendment that sought to specify that the FCC shall not restrict the activities of COMSAT in a manner which would create a liability under the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution relating to the takings of private property (rejected by a recorded vote of 111 ayes to 304 noes with 2 voting "present", Roll No. 127); and

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The Tauzin amendment that sought to strike section 642, Termination of Monopoly Status, that permits users or providers of telecommunications services to renegotiate contracts or commitments on rates, terms, and conditions with COMSAT (rejected by a recorded vote of 80 ayes to 339 noes with 2 voting "present", Roll No. 128).

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Agreed to H. Res. 419, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by voice vote.

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Presidential Message—Ukraine: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted his proposed agreement between the United States and Ukraine concerning the peaceful uses of nuclear energy—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-248).

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Higher Education Amendments of 1998: The House passed H.R. 6 to extend the authorization of programs under the Higher Education Act of 1965 by a year and nay vote of 414 yeas to 4 nays, Roll No. 135. The House completed general debate and considered amendments to the bill on April 29 and May 5.

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Agreed To:

The Skaggs amendment that requires a report to Congress on the feasibility of student loan consolidation options to assist individuals who have substantial student loan debt, other than direct student loans and federally guaranteed loans;

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The Foley amendment that allows access and disclosure of disciplinary records which identify a student or students who have committed a crime of violence;

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The Kennedy of Massachusetts amendment that expresses the sense of the House that college and university administrators should adopt a code of principles in an effort to reduce alcohol related problems and change the culture of alcohol consumption on college campuses;

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The Livingston amendment that expresses the sense of the House that no student attending an institution of higher education shall be denied the rights of protected speech and association or otherwise sanctioned for programs or activities that are not sponsored by the institution;

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The Kennedy of Massachusetts amendment that establishes a drug and alcohol abuse prevention grant and recognition award program;

Page 8304

The Meek of Florida amendment, as modified, that establishes five demonstration projects to enable individuals with learning disabilities to fully participate in postsecondary education;

Page 8305

The Jackson-Lee amendment, as modified, that expresses the sense of the House that colleges and universities shall establish policies for identifying students with learning disabilities, specifically dyslexia in postsecondary education;

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The Roemer amendment that deletes the requirement for colleges and universities to report reductions in the funding and number of athletes permitted to participate in any collegiate sport and the reasons for the decreases (agreed to by a recorded vote of 292 ayes to 129 noes, Roll No. 130);

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The Miller of California amendment that expresses the sense of Congress that colleges and universities adopt merchandise licensing codes of conduct to assure that licensed merchandise is not made by sweatshop and exploited adult or child labor either domestically or abroad (agreed to by a recorded vote of 393 ayes to 28 noes, Roll No. 131); and **Pages 8293, 8323**

The Stupak amendment that reauthorizes the Olympic Scholarships program (agreed to by a recorded vote of 219 ayes to 200 noes, Roll No. 132). **Pages 8297, 8324**

Rejected:

The Riggs amendment that sought to prohibit discrimination and preferential treatment to any person or group based in whole or in part on race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin (rejected by a recorded vote of 171 ayes to 249 noes, Roll No. 133); and **Page 8325**

The Campbell amendment that sought to proscribe that no individual shall be excluded from any program on the basis of race or religion (rejected by a recorded vote of 189 ayes to 227 noes, Roll No. 134). **Page 8348**

Withdrawn:

The Millender-McDonald amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to establish the Teacher Excellence in America Challenge grant program; and **Page 8317**

The Hall of Texas amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to prohibit the Secretary of Education from considering audit deficiencies with respect to financial aid record keeping at Texas College, located in Tyler, Texas. **Page 8322**

The Clerk was authorized to make technical corrections and conforming changes in the engrossment of the bill to reflect the actions of the House. **Page 8354**

Senate Messages: Message received today from the Senate appears on page 8249.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 8365.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea and nay vote and seven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 8279, 8289, 8290, 8323, 8324, 8347, and 8350. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:55 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on the National Labor Relations Board. Testimony was heard from William B. Gould, IV, Chairman, NLRB.

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Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment held a hearing on Regulatory Efforts to Phaseout Chlorofluorocarbon-Based Metered-Dose Inhalers. Testimony was heard from Representatives Smith of New Jersey, Kennedy of Rhode Island, Foley and Minge; Paul Stolpman, Director, Office of Atmospheric Programs, EPA; Rafe Pomerance, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Environment and Development, Department of State; John Jenkins, M.D., Director, Division of Pulmonary Drug Products, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere held a hearing on Latin America and the Caribbean: An Update and Summary of the Summit of the Americas. Testimony was heard from Peter F. Romero, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Inter-American Affairs, Department of State; and Mark Schneider, Assistant Administrator, Latin America, AID, U.S. International Development Cooperation Agency.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 2431, Freedom From Religious Persecution Act of 1997; H.R. 3494, Child Protection and Sexual Predator Punishment Act of 1998; H.R. 3723, United States Patent and Trademark Office Reauthorization Act, Fiscal Year 1999; and H.R. 1690, to amend title 28 of the United States Code regarding enforcement of child custody orders.

The Committee failed to approve H.R. 3168, Citizen Protection Act of 1998.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on National Security: Met in executive session and ordered reported amended, H.R. 3616, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999.

INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 3694, Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999. The rule waives points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with clause 2(l)(6) of rule XI (requiring a 3-day layover of the committee report). The rule makes in order as an original bill for the purpose of amendment the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill, modified by striking section 401. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered by title and that each title shall be considered as read.

The rule waives points of order against the committee amendment for failure to comply with clause 7 of rule XVI (prohibiting nongermane amendments) or clause

5(b) of rule XXI (prohibiting tax or tariff provisions in a bill not reported by a committee with jurisdiction over revenue measures). The rule provides for consideration of only those amendments that have been pre-printed in the Congressional Record, and that those amendments shall be considered as read. The rule permits the chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes on any amendment and reduce voting time to five minutes on any series of questions, provided that the first vote shall not be less than 15 minutes. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Goss and Representative Dicks.

MANDATES INFORMATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Ordered reported amended H.R. 3534, Mandates Information Act of 1998.

OVERSIGHT—INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION

Committee on Science: Held an oversight hearing on the International Space Station: Problems and Options. Testimony was heard from the following officials of NASA: Jay Chabrow, Chairman, Cost Assessment and Validation Task Force, member, Advisory Council; and Dan Goldin, Administrator; and Duncan Moore, Associate Director, Technology, Office of Science and Technology Policy.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; RESOLUTIONS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Ordered reported the following measures: H.R. 2730, to designate the Federal building located at 309 North Church Street in Dyersburg, Tennessee, as the "Jere Cooper Federal Building;" H.R. 2225, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse to be constructed on Las Vegas Boulevard between Bridger Avenue and Clark Avenue in Las Vegas, NV, as the "Lloyd D. George Federal Building and United States Courthouse;" H.R. 3453, to designate the Federal Building and Post Office located at 100 East B Street, Casper, Wyoming, as the "Dick Cheney Federal Building;" H.R. 3295, to designate the Federal building located at 1301 Clay Street in Oakland, California, as the "Ronald V. Dellums Federal Building;" H.R. 3504, amended, John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts Authorization Act; H.R. 3035, amended, National Drought Policy Act of 1998; H. Con. Res. 255, amended, authorizing the use of the Capitol grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby; H. Con. Res. 265, authorizing the use of the East Front of the Capitol Grounds for performances sponsored by the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts; H. Con. Res. 262, amended, authorizing the 1998 District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run to be run through the Capitol Grounds; and H. Con. Res. 263, amended, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the seventeenth annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service.

The Committee also approved 7 Corps of Engineers Survey Resolutions.

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Railroads held a hearing on Surface Transportation Board Reauthorization: Inter-carrier Transactions, Construction and Abandonments. Testimony was heard from Representatives Barr of Georgia, Kucinich and Shays; Linda J. Morgan, Chairwoman, Surface Transportation Board, Department of Transportation; John F. Guinan, Director, Freight and Passenger Rail, Department of Transportation, State of New York; John J. Haley, Jr., Commissioner, Department of Transportation, State of New Jersey; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 3433, Ticket to Work and Self-Sufficiency Act of 1998; and H.R. 2431, Freedom From Religious Persecution Act of 1998.

Joint Meetings

ISTEA

Conferees met to continue to resolve the differences between the Senate and House-passed versions of H.R. 2400, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

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Thursday, May 7, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Fourteen bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2040-2053, and S. Res. 225.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2052, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Retirement and Disability System. (S. Rept. No. 105-185)

S. 1525, to provide financial assistance for higher education to the dependents of Federal, State, and local public safety officers who are killed or permanently and totally disabled as the result of a traumatic injury sustained in the line of duty.

S. Con. Res. 75, honoring the sesquicentennial of Wisconsin statehood. **Page 8546**

Measures Passed:

IRS Reform: By a unanimous vote of 97 yeas (Vote No. 126), Senate passed H.R. 2676, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

Kerrey Amendment No. 2358, to require a study on the willful noncompliance with internal revenue laws by taxpayers to be conducted jointly by the Joint Committee on Taxation, Secretary of the Treasury, and the Commissioner of Internal Revenue. **Page 8470**

Kerrey Amendment No. 2359, to require the Inspector General for Tax Administration to report to Congress on administrative and civil actions taken with respect to fair debt collection provisions. **Page 8470**

Kerrey Amendment No. 2361, to express the policy of Congress that the Internal Revenue Service should work cooperatively with the private sector to increase electronic filing. **Page 8476**

Grassley Amendment No. 2362, to appoint a counsel in the Office of the Taxpayer Advocate to report directly to the National Taxpayer Advocate. **Page 8476**

Grassley Amendment No. 2363, to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to provide a combined employment tax reporting demonstration project. **Page 8476**

Craig Modified Amendment No. 2364, to require advance notification to taxpayers before disclosure of their income tax return information to state and local governments. **Page 8480**

Kerrey/Grassley Amendment No. 2368, to amend the provision regarding offset of past-due legally enforceable State income tax obligations against overpayments to apply to debts for which an administrative hearing has determined an amount of State income tax to be due. **Page 8484**

Graham/D'Amato/Feinstein Amendment No. 2369, to clarify the actual knowledge standard of the innocent spouse provision. **Page 8490**

Roth (for Domenici/D'Amato/McCain) Amendment No. 2370, to require on all IRS telephone helplines an option for questions to be answered in Spanish. **Page 8491**

Roth (for Domenici) Amendment No. 2371, to require all IRS telephone helplines an option to talk to a live person in addition to hearing a recorded message. **Page 8491**

Bond/Moseley-Braun Amendment No. 2373, to improve electronic filing of tax and information returns. **Page 8500**

Gramm Amendment No. 2374, to expand the shift in burden of proof from income tax liability to all tax liabilities. **Page 8501**

Gramm Amendment No. 2375, to prohibit Government officers and employees from requesting taxpayers to give up their rights to sue. **Page 8502**

Gramm Amendment No. 2376, to provide for the termination of employment of IRS employees for willful failure to file income tax returns or threatening an audit for retaliatory purposes. **Page 8503**

Roth (for Craig) Amendment No. 2377, to require disclosure to taxpayers concerning disclosure of their income tax return information to parties outside the Internal Revenue Service. **Page 8504**

Roth (for Craig) Amendment No. 2378, to limit the disclosure and use of federal tax return information to the States for purposes necessary to administer State income tax laws. **Page 8504**

Grams Amendment No. 2379, to provide interest payment exemption for disaster victims in the Presidentially declared disaster areas. **Page 8523**

Dodd (for Moynihan) Amendment No. 2380, to provide effective dates which allow the Internal Revenue Service to implement changes to the tax code and to meet the year 2000 computer conversion deadline. **Page 8528**

Collins/DeWine Amendment No. 2381, to modify the reporting requirements in connection with the education tax credit. **Page 8532**

Roth Amendment No. 2382, to make certain technical corrections. **Page 8536**

Roth (for Graham) Amendment No. 2383, to apply the interest netting provision to all Federal taxes and to open taxable periods occurring before the date of the enactment of this Act. **Page 8536**

Roth (for Stevens) Amendment No. 2384, relating to State fish and wildlife permits. **Page 8536**

Roth (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 2385, relating to the report on tax complexity and low-income taxpayer clinics. **Page 8536**

Rejected:

By 42 yeas to 57 nays (Vote No. 122), Thompson/Sessions Amendment No. 2356, to strike the exemptions from criminal conflict laws for a IRS Oversight Board member from employee organization. **Page 8467**

By 35 yeas to 64 nays (Vote No. 123), Faircloth Amendment No. 2360, to remove the union representative of the Internal Revenue Service employees from the Internal Revenue Service Oversight Board. **Page 8471**

By 40 yeas to 59 nays (Vote No. 124), Mack Amendment No. 2372, to strike the Secretary of the Treasury from the Internal Revenue Service Oversight Board. **Page 8495**

Withdrawn:

Craig Amendment No. 2365, to limit the disclosure and use of federal tax return information to the States to purposes necessary to administer State income tax laws.

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Craig Amendment No. 2366, to require disclosure to taxpayers concerning disclosure of their income tax return information to parties outside the Internal Revenue Service.

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During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 37 yeas to 60 nays (Vote No. 125), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to agree to a motion to waive the Congressional Budget Act with respect to consideration of Coverdell Amendment No. 2353, to prohibit the use of random audits. Subsequently, a point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 202 of the Congressional Budget Act was sustained, and the amendment thus fell.

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Appointment:

U.S. Capitol Preservation Commission: The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, pursuant to Public Law 10-696, appointed the following Senators as members of the United States Capitol Preservation Commission: Senators Gorton and Bennett.

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Record Votes: Five record votes were taken today. (Total—126)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:46 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, May 8, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 8573.)

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL TRADE

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings to examine United States agricultural trade policy issues, focusing on the importance of trade to the American economy, and the Administration's preparations for renewed multilateral trade negotiations in ag-

riculture, after receiving testimony from Daniel R. Glickman, Secretary of Agriculture; and Charlene Barshefsky, United States Trade Representative.

APPROPRIATIONS—NSF/OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY/NATIONAL SCIENCE BOARD

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999, after receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respective agencies from Neal F. Lane, Director, National Science Foundation; Kerri-Ann Jones, Acting Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy; and Richard N. Zare, Chairman, National Science Board.

APPROPRIATIONS—EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Executive Office of the President, receiving testimony from Ada Louise Posey, Director, Office of Administration, Executive Office of the President; and C. Boyden Gray, Wilmer Cutler and Pickering, Washington, D.C., former White House Counsel to President Bush. Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, May 14.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

An original bill to authorize funds for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and to authorize funds for fiscal year 1999 for intelligence related activities of the United States Government;

An original bill entitled "Department of Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999";

An original bill entitled "Military Construction Act for Fiscal Year 1999"; and

An original bill entitled "Department of Energy National Security Act for Fiscal Year 1999".

HUD MANAGEMENT REFORM

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Development: Subcommittee on Housing Opportunity and Community Development concluded hearings on issues relating to the implementation of the Department of Housing and Urban Development's "HUD 2020" Management Reform Plan, after receiving testimony from Andrew M. Cuomo, Secretary, and Susan Gaffney, Inspector General, both of the Department of Housing and Urban Development; and Judy A. England-Joseph, Director, Housing and Community Development Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office.

AIRCRAFT REPAIR STATIONS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Aviation concluded hearings to examine the Federal Aviation Administration's oversight of repair stations that maintain and repair aircraft and aircraft components, and S. 1089, to restrict the use of foreign repair stations by United States airline companies, after receiving testimony from Senator Specter; Guy S. Gardner, Associate Administrator for Regulation and Certification, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation; Gerald L. Dillingham, Associate Director, Transportation Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; Gilbert D. Mook, Federal Express Corporation, Don Fuqua, Aerospace Industries Association, and Edward Wytkind, Transportation Trades Department, AFL-CIO, all of Washington, D.C.; and William L. Scheri, International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, Upper Marlboro, Maryland.

NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation held hearings on S. 1693, to improve the ability of the National Park System to provide state-of-the-art protection and interpretation to NPS resources, focusing on Title VI, National Parks Resources Inventory and Management, Title VII, Designation of Tax Refunds and Contributions for the Benefit of the National Park System, Title VIII, National Park Foundation, and Title XI, relating to a study of the United States Park Police and Cooperative Management Agreements, receiving testimony from Denis P. Galvin, Deputy Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; William J. Chandler, National Parks and Conservation Association, Charles M. Clusen, Natural Resources Defense Council, on behalf of the Greater Yellowstone Coalition, and Jim Maddy, National Park Foundation, all of Washington, D.C.; Robert Koons, Grand Canyon Association/Grand Canyon National Park Foundation, Grand Canyon, Arizona; Stephanie M. Clement, Friends of Acadia, Bar Harbor, Maine; and Curt Buchholtz, Rocky Mountain National Park Associates, Inc., Estes Park, Colorado.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, May 14.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of William Joseph Burns, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, and Ryan Clark Crocker, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Syrian Arab Republic, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

OVERSEAS PRIVATE INVESTMENT CORPORATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on International Economic Policy, Export and Trade Promotion concluded oversight hearings to examine the operations of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation in its implementation of foreign policy investment and development priorities of the United States Government, after receiving testimony from Senator Allard; George Munoz, President and CEO, Overseas Private Investment Corporation; Richard F. Seney, MCTR, Alexandria, Virginia; and Edmund Rice, Coalition for Employment Through Exports, Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nominations of Chester J. Straub, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, William P. Dimitrouleas, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida, and Stephan P. Mickle, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Florida;

S. 1525, to provide financial assistance for higher education to the dependents of Federal, State, and local public safety officers who are killed or permanently and totally disabled as the result of a traumatic injury sustained in the line of duty; and

S. Con. Res. 75, honoring the sesquicentennial of Wisconsin statehood.

TEACHER PERFORMANCE

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee concluded hearings to examine proposals to provide more qualified teachers in the American classroom, focusing on certain provisions of the proposed Higher Education Amendments of 1998 (S. 1882 and H.R. 6) affecting institutional eligibility for student aid under title IV of the Higher Education Act, after receiving testimony from Margot A. Schenet, Specialist in Social Legislation, Education and Public Welfare Division, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; Kati Haycock, The Education Trust, Terry W. Hartle, American Council on Education, and Arthur E. Wise, National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education, all of Washington, D.C.; Donald Warren, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana; Thomas W. Payzant, Boston Public Schools, Boston, Massachusetts; and Nancy S. Grasmick, Maryland State Department of Education, Baltimore.

INTELLIGENCE—AUTHORIZATION

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill (S. 2052) authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for intelligence and intelligence related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 18 public bills, H.R. 3805–3822; 1 private bill, H.R. 3823; and 6 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 273–274 and H. Res. 422–425, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 3534, to improve congressional deliberation on proposed Federal private sector mandates, amended (H. Rept. 105–515); and

H.R. 2416, to provide for the transfer of certain rights and property to the United States Forest Service in exchange for a payment to the occupant of such property, amended (H. Rept. 105–516);

H.R. 2730, designate the Federal building located at 309 North Church Street in Dyersburg, Tennessee, as the "Jere Cooper Federal Building". (H. Rept. 105–517);

H.R. 2225, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse to be constructed on Las Vegas Boulevard between Bridger Avenue and Clark Avenue in Las Vegas, Nevada, as the "Lloyd D. George Federal Building and United States Courthouse" (H. Rept. 105–518);

H.R. 3453, to designate the Federal Building and Post Office located at 100 East B Street, Casper, Wyoming, as the "Dick Cheney Federal Building". (H. Rept. 105–519);

H.R. 3295, to designate the Federal building located at 1301 Clay Street in Oakland, California, as the "Ronald V. Dellums Federal Building" (H. Rept. 105–520); and

H. Con. Res. 255, authorizing the use of the Capitol grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby, amended (H. Rept. 105–521).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative LaTourette to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, the Rev. Kenneth G. Wilde of Meridian, Idaho.

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Senate Bill Returned—Ocean Shipping Reform Act: Agreed by unanimous consent to the request of the Senate to return S. 414, the Ocean Shipping Reform Act of 1998.

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Use of the Capitol Grounds: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 265, authorizing the use of the East Front of the Capitol Grounds for performances sponsored by the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

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Committee Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Scarborough wherein he requested a leave of absence

from the Committee on Education and the Workforce. Without objection, the resignation was accepted.

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Education and Savings Act for Public and Private Schools: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 2646, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Chairman Archer, Chairman Goodling, Representatives Armey, Rangel, and Clay.

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By a yea and nay vote of 192 yeas to 222 nays, Roll No. 136, rejected the Rangel motion to instruct conferees to agree to provisions relating to tax-favored financing for public school construction consistent, to the maximum extent possible within the scope of conference, with the approach taken in H.R. 3320, the Public School Modernization Act of 1998.

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Intelligence Authorization Act for FY 1999: The House passed H.R. 3694, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System.

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Agreed To:

The Traficant amendment that requires the Director of Central Intelligence to submit an annual report that describes the level of cooperation and assistance provided to domestic Federal law enforcement agencies by the intelligence community in the effort to stop the flow of illegal drugs.

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Rejected:

The Sanders amendment that sought to decrease the total amount authorized by five percent and exempt the CIA Retirement and Disability fund from the reduction (rejected by a recorded vote of 120 ayes to 291 noes, Roll No. 137).

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Withdrawn:

The Weldon of Pennsylvania amendment was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to require the Director of Central Intelligence to submit an annual proliferation report to the chairmen and ranking members of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence and Senate Select Committee on Intelligence that identifies each foreign entity that transferred a controlled item, including activities to produce weapons of mass destruction, to another covered entity; and

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The Waters amendment was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to require the Attorney General to review the 1995 Memorandum of Understanding requiring the Director of Central Intelligence to report information concerning Federal crimes.

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The Clerk was authorized in the engrossment of the bill to make such technical and conforming changes as may be necessary to correct such things as spelling, punctuation, cross-referencing, and section numbering.

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H. Res. 420, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a voice vote. **Page 8393**

Meeting Hour—Monday, May 11: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, May 11. **Page 8429**

Meeting Hour—Tuesday, May 12: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 12 for Morning Hour debates. **Page 8429**

Meeting Hour—Wednesday, May 13: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Tuesday, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, May 13 for the purpose of receiving in the Chamber former members of Congress. Further, agreed that it be in order on Wednesday for the Speaker to declare a recess subject to the call of the Chair for this purpose. **Page 8429**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday, May 13. **Page 8429**

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea and nay vote and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 8393 and 8415. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FOREST SERVICE BUDGET

Committee on Agriculture: Held a hearing to review the Fiscal Year 1999 Administration's Budget for the Forest Service, USDA. Testimony was heard from Representative Herger; Michael Dombeck, Chief, Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

ELECTRONIC COMMERCE

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on Electronic Commerce: Building Tomorrow's Information Infrastructure. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

PARENTAL FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth, and Families held a hearing on H.R. 3189, Parental Freedom of Information Act. Testimony was heard from Representatives Tiahrt, Largent and Green; and public witnesses.

IMMUNE GLOBULIN SHORTAGES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing on Immune Globulin Shortages: Causes and Cures. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: David Satcher, M.D., Sur-

geon General; Michael Friedman, M.D., Lead Deputy Commissioner, FDA; and Stephen M. Ostroff, M.D., Associate Director, Epidemiologic Science, National Center for Infectious Diseases, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; Bernice Steinhardt, Director, Health Services Quality and Public Health Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

U.S.-EUROPEAN UNION TRADE

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on issues in U.S.-European Union Trade European Privacy legislation and Biotechnology/Food Safety Policy. Testimony was heard from Franklin J. Vargo, Acting Assistant Secretary, Export Promotion, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

AFRICA IN THE WORLD ECONOMY

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Africa held a hearing on Africa in the World Economy. Testimony was heard from Rosa Whitaker, Assistant U.S. Trade Representative; and public witnesses.

ASIA-U.S. SECURITY INTERESTS

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific held a hearing on Tradition and Transformation: U.S. Security Interests in Asia. Testimony was heard from Stanley Roth, Assistant Secretary, East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State; and the following officials of the Department of Defense: Walter Slocombe, Under Secretary; and Adm. J.W. Prucher, USN, Commander-In-Chief Pacific Command.

HUMAN RIGHTS IN INDONESIA

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights held a hearing on Human Rights in Indonesia. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—ADMINISTRATIVE CRIMES AND QUASI-CRIMES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held an oversight hearing on Administrative Crimes and Quasi-Crimes. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 3633, Controlled Substances Trafficking Prohibition Act; H.R. 2070, amended, Correction Officers Health and Safety Act of 1997; H.R. 2829, amended, Bullet-proof Vests Partnership Grant Act of 1997; and S. 170, Clone Pager Authorization Act.

DUNGENESS CRAB CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT ACT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans held a hearing on H.R.

3498, Dungeness Crab Conservation and Management Act. Testimony was heard from David Evans, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 1865, Spanish Peaks Wilderness Act of 1997; H.R. 3186, amended, Rogue River National Forest Interchange Act of 1998; H.R. 3520, to adjust the boundaries of the Lake Chelan National Recreation Area and the adjacent Wenatchee National Forest in the State of Washington; and H.R. 3796, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey the administrative site for the Rogue River National Forest and use the proceeds for the construction or improvement of offices and support buildings for the Rogue River National Forest and the Bureau of Land Management.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands approved for full Committee action amended the following bills: H.R. 2538, Guadalupe-Hidalgo Treaty Land Claims Act of 1997; and H.R. 3625, San Rafael Swell National Heritage and Conservation Act.

FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPETITION ACT

Committee on Rules: Heard testimony from Chairmen Leach and Bliley; Representatives McCollum, Roukema, Baker, Lazio, Castle, Bachus, Metcalf, Riley, Oxley, Bonilla, LaFalce, Vento, Kennedy of Massachusetts, Waters, Gutierrez, Markey, Moran of Virginia, Jackson-Lee and Kucinich, but no action was taken on H.R. 10, Financial Services Competition Act.

AVIATION MANUFACTURING AND THE FASTENER QUALITY ACT

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Technology held a hearing on the Aviation Manufacturing and the Fastener Quality Act. Testimony was heard from Raymond Kammer, Director, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce; Thomas E. McSweeney, Director, Aircraft Certification, FAA, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

MITIGATION AND COST REDUCTION ACT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing on the Mitigation and Cost Reduction Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Mike Armstrong, Associate Director, Mitigation Directorate, FEMA; and public witnesses.

YEAR 2000 COMPUTER PROBLEM

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on the Year 2000 Computer Problem.

Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Charles O. Rossotti, Commissioner, IRS; James J. Flyzik, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Information System and Chief, Information Office; Constance E. Craig, Assistant Commissioner, Information Resources, Financial Management Services and Vincette Goerl, Assistant Commissioner, Finance; John Dyer, Principal Deputy Commissioner, SSA; John Callahan, Assistant Secretary, Office of Management and Budget, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

U.S. ECONOMIC AND TRADE POLICY TOWARD CUBA

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade held a hearing on U.S. Economic and Trade Policy Toward Cuba. Testimony was heard from Representatives Moakley, Torres, Ros-Lehtinen, Diaz-Balart and Menendez; Michael Rannenberger, Coordinator, Cuban Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

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Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8597–8645

Measures Introduced: Three bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2054–2056, and S. Res. 226.

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Measures Passed:

International Whaling: Senate agreed to S. Res. 226, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the policy of the United States at the 50th Annual Meeting of the International Whaling Commission.

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Authorizing Use of Capitol Grounds: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 265, authorizing the use of the East Front of the Capitol Grounds for performances sponsored by the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

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National Science Foundation Authorizations—Agreement: A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 1046, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for the National Science Foundation.

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Religious Liberty and Charitable Donations Protection Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 1244, to amend title 11, United States Code, to protect certain charitable contributions.

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Measures Placed on Calendar:

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Text of H.R. 2676 as Previously Passed:	Page 8605

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 11:21 a.m., until 12 noon, on Monday, May 11, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 8645.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session. It will next meet on Monday, May 11.

Committee Meetings

DECIMAL PRICING—INDUSTRY IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials held a hearing on Industry Implementation of Decimal Pricing. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the GAO: Thomas J. McCool, Director and Richard J. Hillman, Associate Director, both with the Financial Institutions and Markets Issues, General Government Division; and Keith Rhodes, Technical Director, Accounting and Information Management Division.

MAMMOGRAPHY QUALITY STANDARDS ACT REAUTHORIZATION

Commerce on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment held a hearing on Reauthorization of the Mammography Quality Standards Act. Testimony was heard from D. Bruce Burlington, M.D., Director, Center for Devices and Radiological Health, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services; Marsha Lillie-Blanton, Associate Director, Health Services, Quality, and Public Health Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

AMERICAN WORKER PROJECT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on American Worker Project: Determining the Appropriateness of Rulemaking at the U.S. Department of Labor—Regulatory Strategies Outside the Scope of the Administrative Procedure Act. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Labor: John Fraser, Acting

Administrator, Wage and Hour Division; and Charles Jeffress, Assistant Secretary, Occupational Safety and Health Administration; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—DC POLICE DEPARTMENT-FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on the District of Columbia held a hearing on the District of Columbia Metropolitan Police Department Oversight and Federal Law Enforcement Assistance. Testimony was heard from Charles H. Ramsey, Chief of Police, Metropolitan Police Department; Stephen Harlan, Vice-Chairman, Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority; the following officials of the Department of Justice: Peter F. Gruden, Special Agent, District of Columbia, DEA; and John Barrett, Special Agent, Criminal Division, Washington Field Office, FBI; Peter J. Dowling, Special Agent, Washington Field Office, U.S. Secret Service, Department of the Treasury; and Gary Abrecht, Chief, U.S. Capitol Police.

Joint Meetings

EMPLOYMENT-UNEMPLOYMENT

Joint Economic Committee: Committee held hearings to examine the employment-unemployment situation for April, receiving testimony from Katherine G. Abraham, Commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor.

Committee recessed subject to call.

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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8655–90

Measures Introduced: Five bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2057–2061. **Page 8683**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Report to accompany S. 1723, The American Competitiveness Act. (S. Rept. No. 105–186)

S. 1364, to eliminate unnecessary and wasteful Federal reports, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 105–187)

S. 981, to provide for analysis of major rules, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–188)

S. 2060, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces. (S. Rept. No. 105–189)

Report to accompany S. 2037, WIPO Copyright Treaty Implementation. (S. Rept. No. 105-190).

S. 2057, to authorize appropriations for the fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces.

S. 2058, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for defense activities of the Department of Energy.

S. 2059, to authorize appropriations for the fiscal year 1999 for military construction. **Page 8682**

Agriculture Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act—Conference Report—Agreement: A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the conference report on S. 1150, to ensure that federally funded agricultural research, extension, and education address high-priority concerns with national or multistate significance, and to reform, extend, and eliminate certain agricultural research programs, on Tuesday, May 12, 1998. **Page 8668**

Missile Defense System: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1873, to state the policy of the United States regarding the deployment of a missile defense system capable of defending the territory of the United States against limited ballistic missile attack. **Page 8670**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Wednesday, May 13, 1998. **Page 8670**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report entitled "Class-Size Reduction and Teacher Quality Act of 1998"; referred to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources. (PM-123).

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Transmitting the annual report of that the National Institute of the Building Sciences for fiscal year 1996; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM-124). **Page 8681**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Raner Christercunean Collins, of Arizona, to be United States District Judge for the District of Arizona.

Robert S. Lasnik, of Washington, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Washington.

Virginia A. Phillips, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

Raymond W. Kelly, of New York, to be Commissioner of Customs.

James E. Johnson, of New Jersey, to be Under Secretary of the Treasury for Enforcement.

Elizabeth Bresee, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury. **Pages 8680, 8690**

Messages From the President: **Page 8680**

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Statements on Introduced Bills: **Page 8683**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page 8685**

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Additional Statements: **Page 8686**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon, and adjourned at 6:36 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, May 12, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 8690.)

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense and related agencies, receiving testimony from numerous public witnesses.

Subcommittee will meet again on Wednesday, May 13.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 4 public bills, H.R. 3824-3827; and 1 resolution, H.J. Res. 118, were introduced. **Page 8653**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Filed on Friday, May 8, H.R. 2431, to establish an Office of Religious Persecution Monitoring, to provide for the imposition of sanctions against countries engaged in a pattern of religious persecution, amended (H. Rept. 105-480 Part 2);

Filed on Friday, May 8, H.R. 2431, to establish an Office of Religious Persecution Monitoring, to provide for the imposition of sanctions against countries engaged in a pattern of religious persecution, amended (H. Rept. 105-480 Part 3); and

H.R. 2556, to reauthorize the North American Wetlands Conservation Act and the Partnerships for Wildlife Act, amended (H. Doc. 105-522). **Page 8652**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Miller of Florida to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 8646**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, the Rev. Douglas Tanner of Washington, D.C. **Page 8646**

Presidential Message—Class Size Reduction and Teacher Quality: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted his legislative proposal entitled "Class-Size Reduction and Teacher Quality Act of

1998"—referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-249).

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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 8646.

Quorum Calls—Votes: No quorum calls or recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: Met at 2:00 p.m. and adjourned at 2:39 p.m.

Committee Meetings

HUMAN RIGHTS INFORMATION ACT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held a hearing on H.R. 2635, Human Rights Information Act. Testimony was heard from Lee Strickland, Information and Privacy Coordinator, CIA; Steven Garfinkel, Director, Information Security Oversight Office, National Archives and Records Administration; and public witnesses.

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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8695-8808

Measures Introduced: Nine bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2062-2070, S. Con. Res. 95, and S. Res. 227-229.

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Measures Passed:

National Science Foundation Authorization: Committee on Labor and Human Resources was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1273, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for the National Science Foundation, and by a unanimous vote of 99 yeas (Vote No. 127), the bill was then passed, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting the text of S. 1046, Senate companion measure, and agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto, as follows:

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Jeffords (for McCain) Amendment No. 2386, in the nature of a substitute.

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Subsequently, S. 1046 was returned to the Senate calendar.

Anti-Slamming: By a unanimous vote of 99 yeas (Vote No. 130), Senate passed S. 1618, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to improve the protection of consumers against "slamming" by telecommunications

carriers, after agreeing to committee amendments, and taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

McCain/Hollings Amendment No. 2389, in the nature of a substitute.

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McCain (for Feingold) Amendment No. 2390, to authorize the enforcement by State and local governments of certain Federal Communications Commission regulations regarding use of citizens band radio equipment.

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Dorgan (for Feinstein) Amendment No. 2391, to modify the exception to the prohibition on the interception of wire, oral, or electronic communications to require that all parties to communications with health insurance providers consent to their interception.

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Dorgan (for Rockefeller) Amendment No. 2392, to require truth in billing procedures for telecommunications carriers.

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Printing Authority: Senate agreed to S. Res. 228, to authorize the printing of a document entitled "Washington's Farewell Address".

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Commemorating the 150th Anniversary of the Chicago Board of Trade: Senate agreed to S. Res. 229, commemorating the 150th anniversary of the establishment of the Chicago Board of Trade.

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Wisconsin Statehood: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 75, honoring the sesquicentennial of Wisconsin Statehood.

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Commemorating Law Enforcement Officers: Senate agreed to S. Res. 201, to commemorate and acknowledge the dedication and sacrifice made by the men and women who have lost their lives while serving as law enforcement officers.

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Agriculture Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act—Conference Report: By 92 yeas to 8 nays (Vote No. 129), Senate agreed to the conference report on S. 1150, to ensure that federally funded agricultural research, extension, and education address high-priority concerns with national or multistate significance, and to reform, extend, and eliminate certain agricultural research programs.

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During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 23 yeas to 77 nays (Vote No. 128), Senate rejected a motion to recommit the conference report, with instructions.

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Securities Litigation Uniform Standards Act—Agreement: A further unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 1260, to amend the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to limit the conduct of securities class actions under State law, with a committee amend-

ment in the nature of a substitute, and certain amendments to be proposed thereto. **Page 8769**

WIPO Copyright Treaty Implementation—Agreement: A further unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 2037, to amend title 17, United States Code, to implement the WIPO Copyright Treaty and the WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty, and to provide limitations on copyright liability relating to material online, and an amendment to be proposed thereto. **Page 8769**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Paul L. Cejas, of Florida, to be Ambassador to Belgium.

Cynthia Perrin Schneider, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

5 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

9 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral. **Page 8808**

Statements on Introduced Bills: **Page 8771**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page 8786**

Amendments Submitted: **Page 8789**

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Authority for Committees: **Page 8799**

Additional Statements: **Page 8799**

Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—130) **Pages 8720, 8729, 8738, 8763**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:39 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, May 13, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 8808.)

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) environmental programs, after receiving testimony from Robert Pirie, Jr., Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Installation and Environment; Paul Johnson, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Installation and Housing; and Jimmy G. Dishner, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Installations.

INTERNATIONAL RELIGIOUS FREEDOM ACT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1868, to express United States foreign policy with respect to, and to strengthen United States advocacy on behalf of, individuals persecuted for their faith worldwide; to authorize United States actions in response to re-

ligious persecution worldwide; and to establish an Ambassador at Large on International Religious Freedom within the Department of State, a Commission on International Religious Persecution, and a Special Adviser on International Religious Freedom within the National Security Council, after receiving testimony from Senators Nickles and Lieberman; and John H.F. Shattuck, Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights and Labor.

TOBACCO PRICE INCREASE

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee held hearings to examine the consequences of raising the price of certain tobacco products as contained in the proposed comprehensive anti-tobacco legislation, including the impact on the consumption of tobacco products and the potential for increasing black market sales of tobacco products, receiving testimony from Gary Black, Sanford C. Bernstein & Co., Inc., and Martin Feldman, Salomon Smith Barney, both of New York, New York; and Matthew L. Myers, National Center for Tobacco-Free Kids, Washington, D.C.

Committee will meet again tomorrow.

INDIAN GAMING REGULATORY IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1870, to provide the National Indian Gaming Commission with resources to monitor and regulate certain Indian gaming operations, focusing on provisions relating to tribal acquisition of off-reservation lands for gaming purposes, and the Department of the Interior's role in this process, after receiving testimony from Senator Lieberman; Kevin Gover, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs; Tanja Kozicky, on behalf of the Governor of Minnesota, St. Paul; gaiashkibos, Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians, Hayward, Wisconsin; and Richard G. Hill and Timothy Wapato, both of the National Indian Gaming Association, Raymond C. Scheppach, National Governors' Association, and Franklin Ducheneaux, Ducheneaux, Taylor & Associates, all of Washington, D.C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 22 public bills, H.R. 3828–3849; and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 275, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 375, private bill for the relief of Margarito Domantay, amended (H. Doc. 105–523);

H.R. 1949, private bill for the relief of Nuratu Olarewaju Abeke Kadiri. (H. Doc. 105–524);

H.R. 2652, to amend title 17, United States Code, to prevent the misappropriation of collections of information, amended (H. Doc. 105-525);

H.R. 3303, authorize appropriations for the Department of Justice for fiscal years 1999, 2000, and 2001; to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1999 and 2000 to carry out certain programs administered by the Department of Justice; to amend title 28 of the United States Code with respect to the use of funds available to the Department of Justice, amended (H. Doc. 105-526);

H.R. 2886, to provide for a demonstration project in the Stanislaus National Forest, California, under which a private contractor will perform multiple resource management activities for that unit of the National Forest System, amended (H. Doc. 105-527);

H.R. 3723, to authorize funds for the payment of salaries and expenses of the Patent and Trademark Office, amended (H. Doc. 105-528);

H. Res. 426, providing for consideration of H.R. 3534, to improve congressional deliberation on proposed Federal private sector mandates, (H. Doc. 105-529);

H. Res. 427, providing for consideration of H.R. 512, to prohibit the expenditure of funds from the Land and Water Conservation Fund for the creation of new National Wildlife Refuges without specific authorization from Congress pursuant to a recommendation from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service to create the refuge. (H. Doc. 105-530);

H. Res. 428, providing for consideration of H.R. 10, to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, and other financial service providers (H. Doc. 105-531); and

H.R. 3616, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1999, amended (H. Rept. 105-532). **Page 8890**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Petri to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 8809**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rabbi Mark S. Miller of Newport Beach, California. **Page 8813**

Recess: The House recessed at 1:04 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m. **Page 8813**

Presidential Message—Building Sciences: Read a message from the President, received on Monday, May 11, wherein he transmitted his annual report of the National Institute of Building Sciences for fiscal year 1996—referred to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services. **Page 8816**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Granite Watershed Enhancement and Protection Act of 1997: H.R. 2886, amended, to provide for a demonstration project in the Stanislaus National Forest, California, under which a private contractor will perform multiple resource management activities for that unit of the National Forest System; **Page 8816**

Miles Land Exchange Act of 1997: H.R. 1021, to provide for a land exchange involving certain National Forest System lands within the Routt National Forest in the State of Colorado; **Page 8817**

Colorado FERC Project Deadline Extension: H.R. 2217, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of FERC Project Number 9248 in the State of Colorado; **Page 8818**

Kentucky Hydroelectric Project Construction Deadline Extension: H.R. 2841, amended, to extend the time required for the construction of a hydroelectric project; **Page 8819**

Winning the War on Drugs to Protect our Children: H. Res. 423, expressing the sense of the House with respect to winning the war on drugs to protect our children (agreed to by ye and nay vote of 412 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 138); **Pages 8820, 8850**

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Reauthorization Act: H.R. 3723, amended, to authorize funds for the payment of salaries and expenses of the Patent and Trademark Office; **Page 8825**

Felony Violations for Failure to Pay Child Support Obligations: H.R. 3811, to establish felony violations for the failure to pay legal child support obligations (passed by ye and nay vote of 402 yeas to 16 nays, Roll No. 139); **Pages 8826, 8850**

Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act of 1997: H.R. 2829, to establish a matching grant program to help State and local jurisdictions purchase armor vests for use by law enforcement departments (passed by ye and nay vote of 412 yeas to 4 nays, Roll No. 140). The House subsequently passed S. 1605, to establish a matching grant program to help States, units of local government, and Indian tribes to purchase armor vests for use by law enforcement officers, after amending it to contain the test of H.R. 2829, as passed the House. Agreed to amend the title; and H.R. 2829 was laid on the table; **Pages 8830, 8851**

Honoring Law Enforcement Officers who have Died in the Line of Duty: H. Res. 422, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty should be honored, recognized, and remembered for their great sacrifice (agreed to by ye and nay vote of 416 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 141); **Pages 8844, 8852**

District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run: H. Con. Res. 262, amended, author-

izing the 1998 District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run to be run through the Capitol Grounds; **Page 8847**

Seventeenth Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service: H. Con. Res. 263, amended, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the seventeenth annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service; and **Page 8847**

Greater Washington Soap Box Derby: H. Con. Res. 255, amended, authorizing the use of the Capitol grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby. **Page 8848**

Personal Privilege: Representative Burton of Indiana rose to a point of personal privilege and was recognized for one hour. **Page 8838**

Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact Consent Act: The House disagreed with the Senate amendment to H.R. 629, to grant the consent of the Congress to the Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact; insisted on the House bill, and requested a conference. Appointed as conferees: Chairman Bliley, and Representatives Dan Schaefer of Colorado, Barton of Texas, Dingell, and Hall of Texas. **Page 8854**

Canada-U.S. Interparliamentary Group: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members to the Canada-United States Interparliamentary Group, in addition to Representative Houghton, Chairman, appointed on April 27: Representatives Gilman, Hamilton, Crane, LaFalce, Oberstar, Shaw, Lipinski, Upton, Stearns, Peterson of Minnesota, and Danner. **Page 8859**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 8892.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 8850, 8851, and 8852. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 11:22 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL TRADE—MULTILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS—ASIA AND THE PACIFIC

Committee on Agriculture: Held a hearing to review the 1999 Multilateral Negotiations on Agricultural Trade—Asia and the Pacific. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment approved for full Committee action the following measures: H.R. 2202, amended, National Marrow Donor Program Reauthorization Act of 1997; and H. Con. Res. 171, declaring the memorial service sponsored by the National Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Me-

morial Service Board of Directors to honor emergency medical services personnel to be the "National Emergency Medical Services Memorial Service".

HANFORD SPENT NUCLEAR FUEL PROJECT—MANAGEMENT PROBLEMS

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Management Problems with the Department of Energy's Hanford Spent Nuclear Fuel Project. Testimony was heard from Representative Hastings of Washington; Gary L. Jones, Associate Director, Energy, Resources and Science Issues, Resources, Community and Economic Development Division, GAO; John T. Conway, Chairman, Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board; the following officials of the Department of Energy: Ernest J. Montz, Under Secretary; and John Wagner, Manager, Richland Operations Office; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—CREATING AN OFFICE OF FEDERAL MANAGEMENT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information and Technology held an oversight hearing on Creating an Office of Federal Management. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the GAO: J. Christopher Mihm, Associate Director, Federal Management and Workforce Issues; and Paul L. Posner, Director, Budget Issues, Accounting and Information Management; the following officials of the Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress: Harold C. Relyea, Specialist and Virginia McMurray, Specialist, both with the American National Government Division; and Ronald C. Moe, Specialist, Government Organization and Management Division; and public witnesses.

BANKRUPTCY REFORM ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Began consideration of H.R. 3150, Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1998.

Will continue tomorrow.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 3109, Thomas Cole National Site Act; and H.R. 1390, to authorize the Government of India to establish a memorial to honor Mahatma Gandhi in the District of Columbia. Testimony was heard from Representatives Solomon, Pallone, Regula and McCollum; Bill Shaddox, Acting Associate Director, Professional Services, National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

OVERSIGHT—CALFED

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power held an oversight hearing on California Federal Bay Delta Program (CALFED). Testimony was heard from David Potter, Chief Deputy Director, Department of Water Resources, State of California; and public witnesses.

MANDATES INFORMATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 3534, Mandates Information Act of 1998. The rule waives points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with section 306 of the Budget Act (prohibiting consideration of legislation within the Budget Committee's jurisdiction, unless reported by the Budget Committee). The rule considers the amendment recommended by the Committee on Rules now printed in the bill as adopted and the bill, as amended, as original text for the purpose of further amendment which is considered as read. The rule allows the chairman of the Committee of the Whole to accord priority in recognition to those members who have preprinted their amendments in the Congressional Record prior to their consideration. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone recorded votes and reduce to five minutes the voting time on any postponed question, provided that the voting time on the first in any series of questions is not less than fifteen minutes. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

FINANCIAL SERVICES ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a structured rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 10, Financial Services Act of 1998. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in part 1 of the Rules Committee report shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and that it shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule provides that no amendment to that amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be in order except those printed in part 2 of the Rules Committee report, which may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent and shall not be subject to amendment except as specified in the report. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone recorded votes and reduce to five minutes the minimum time for electronic voting on any postponed votes provided that the voting time on the first in any series of questions shall be not less than fifteen minutes. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

NEW WILDLIFE REFUGE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 512, New Wildlife Refuge Authorization Act. The rule provides that the

amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the Congressional Record and numbered 1 shall be considered as an original bill for amendment purposes, and provides that the amendment shall be considered as read. The rule waives clause 7 of rule XVI (prohibiting nongermane amendments) against the amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule permits the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have preprinted their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone recorded votes and reduce to five minutes the minimum time for electronic voting on any postponed votes provided that the voting time on the first in any series of questions shall be not less than fifteen minutes. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Young.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing on H.R. 3689, The Land Between the Lakes Protection Act of 1998 and on two Small Watershed Projects. Testimony was heard from Representatives Whitfield, Tanner, Bryant and Ryun; Ann W. Wright, General Manager, Land Between the Lakes, Golden Pond, Kentucky, TVA; and Lawrence E. Clark, Deputy Chief, Programs, Natural Resources Conservation Service, USDA.

VETERANS MEDICARE ACCESS IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3828, Veterans Medicare Access Improvement Act of 1998.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade approved for full Committee action amended the following bills; H.R. 3644, to amend the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 to provide for the use of customs user fees for additional preclearance activities of the Customs Services; and H.R. 3809, Drug Free Borders Act of 1998.

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Eight bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2071-2078 and S. Res. 230.

Measures Passed:

Religious Liberty and Charitable Donation Protection Act: By a unanimous vote of 100 yeas (Vote No. 132), Senate passed S. 1244, to amend title 11, United States Code, to protect certain charitable contributions, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 8940**

Securities Litigation Uniform Standards Act: By 79 yeas to 21 nays (Vote No. 135), Senate passed S. 1260, to amend the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to limit the conduct of securities class actions under State law, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and taking action on amendments to be proposed thereto, as follows: **Page 8950**

Adopted:

Sarbanes Amendment No. 2397, to preserve the right of a State or a political subdivision thereof or a State pension plan from bringing actions under the securities laws. **Page 8984**

Rejected:

Sarbanes/Bryan/Johnson Amendment No. 2395, to provide that the appropriate State statute of limitations shall apply to certain actions removed to Federal court. (By 69 yeas to 30 nays (Vote No. 133), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages 8975, 8983**

Sarbanes/Bryan/Johnson Amendment No. 2396, to define a class action. (By 72 yeas to 27 nays, one responding present, (Vote No. 134), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Page 8981**

Withdrawn:

Feingold Amendment No. 2394, to amend certain Federal civil rights statutes to prevent the involuntary application of arbitration to claims that arise from unlawful employment discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, or disability. **Page 8965**

Biden Amendment No. 2398, regarding fraud as a predicated offense. **Page 8984**

Authorizing Use of Capitol Grounds: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 255, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby. **Page 9016**

Authorizing Use of Capitol Grounds: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 262, authorizing the 1998 District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run to be run through the Capitol Grounds. **Page 9016**

Authorizing Use of Capitol Grounds: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 263, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the seventeenth annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service. **Page 9016**

Authorizing Production of Records: Senate agreed to S. Res. 230, authorizing the production of records by the Select Committee on Intelligence. **Page 9017**

Missile Defense System: Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1873, to state the policy of the United States regarding the deployment of a missile defense system capable of defending the territory of the United States against limited ballistic missile attack. **Page 8920**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate took the following action:

By 59 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. 131), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected a motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to the consideration of the bill. **Page 8940**

Department of Defense Authorizations: Senate began consideration of S. 2057, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, and to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces. **Page 8990**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Thursday, May 14, 1998. **Page 9017**

IRS Reform—Conferees: Pursuant to the order of May 6, 1998, the Chair appointed conferees on H.R. 2676, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service, as follows: from the Committee on Finance: Senators Roth, Chafee, Grassley, Hatch, Murkowski, Nickles, Gramm, Moynihan, Baucus, Graham, Breaux, and Kerrey; and from the Committee on Governmental Affairs: Senators Thompson, Brownback, Cochran, Durbin, and Cleland. **Page 9016**

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaty:

Treaty with St. Vincent and the Grenadines on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 105-44).

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and was ordered to be printed. **Page 9016**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report concerning the Indian nuclear tests on May 11, 1998; referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM-125). **Page 8993**

Transmitting the report concerning the national emergency with respect to Iran; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM-126). **Page 8993**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Arthur J. Tarnow, of Michigan, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan.

George Caram Steeh, III, of Michigan, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nomination:

Jacob Joseph Lew, of New York, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

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Notice of Proposed Rulemaking:

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Record Votes: Five record votes were taken today. (Total—135)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:37 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, May 14, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 9017.)

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense, receiving testimony from William S. Cohen, Secretary of Defense.

Subcommittee will meet again on Wednesday, May 20.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Regulatory Relief concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund to expand access to credit and financial services in low income urban, rural, and Native American communities, after receiving testimony from former Representative Floyd Flake; John D. Hawke, Jr., Under Secretary for Domestic Finance, and Ellen W. Lazar, Director, CDFI Fund, both of the Department of the Treasury; Judy A. England-Joseph, Director, Housing and Community Development Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; Martin Eakes, Self-Help, Durham, North Carolina; and Mark Pinsky, National Community Capital Association, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

WIRELESS BUREAU

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications held oversight hearings on the Federal Communications Commission, focusing on activities of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, receiving testimony from Daniel B. Phythyon, Chief, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, FCC.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, May 19.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the following measures:

S. 1403, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior and Administration of the General Services Administration to identify and convey historic light stations to appropriate Federal and non-Federal entities for historic preservation, recreation, park and cultural purposes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 1460, to allow for election of the Delegate from Guam by other than separate ballot, and to provide a five-year extension to the supplemental food assistance program for Enewetak and adjust the program to reflect population changes;

H.R. 1779, to make a minor adjustment in the exterior boundary of the Devils Backbone Wilderness in the Mark Twain National Forest, Missouri, to exclude a small parcel of land containing improvements;

S. 1468, to provide for the conveyance of one acre of land from Santa Fe National Forest to the Village of Jemez Springs New Mexico, as the site of a fire sub-station, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1510, to direct the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain land known as the Old Coyote Administrative Site to the county of Rio Arriba, New Mexico, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1683, to transfer administrative jurisdiction over part of the Lake Chelan National Recreation Area from the Secretary of the Interior to the Secretary of Agriculture for inclusion in the Wenatchee National Forest in the State of Washington, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1807, to transfer administrative jurisdiction over certain parcels of public domain land in Lake County, Oregon, to facilitate management of the land, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 1439, to facilitate the sale of certain land in Tahoe National Forest in the State of California to Placer County, California;

S. 1752, to convey certain administrative sites and use the proceeds for the acquisition of office sites and the acquisition, construction, or improvement of offices and support buildings for the Coconino National Forest, Kaibab National Forest, Prescott National Forest, and Tonto National Forest in the State of Arizona, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S.J. Res. 41, to approve the location of a proposed memorial to Martin Luther King Jr., in the District of Columbia;

S. 638, to provide for the expeditious completion of the previously mandated Federal acquisition of private mineral and geothermal interests within Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument in the State of Washington, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 887, to establish the National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom program within the National Park Service to produce and designate educational materials and to enter into cooperative agreements to further the interpretation and understanding of the Underground Railroad.

TREATIES

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the Montreal Protocol No. 4 to Amend the Convention for the Unification of Certain Rules Relating to International Carriage by Air signed at Warsaw on October 12, 1929, as amended by the Protocol done at The Hague on September 8, 1955 (Treaty Doc. 95-2 B), the International Convention for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants of December 2, 1961, as Revised at Geneva on November 10, 1972, on October 23, 1978, and on March 19, 1991, and signed by the United States on October 25, 1991 (Treaty Doc. 104-17), the Grains Trade Convention and Food Aid Convention Constituting the International Grains Agreement, 1995 signed by the United States on June 26, 1995 (Treaty Doc. 105-4), Convention on the International Maritime Organization signed at Geneva, March 6, 1948 (the IMO Convention) (Treaty Doc. 104-36), and Trademark Law Treaty done at Geneva on October 27, 1994, with Regulations and signed by the United States on October 28, 1994 (Treaty Doc. 105-35), after receiving testimony from Alan P. Larson, Assistant Secretary of State for Economic and Business Affairs.

INDIA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs held hearings to examine India's nuclear weapons potential, focusing on United States and India relations after India's recent series of underground nuclear weapons tests, including the President's proposed economic sanctions against India for conducting these tests, receiving testimony from former Representative Stephen Solarz; Karl F. Inderfurth, Assistant Secretary for South Asian Affairs, and Robert J. Einhorn, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Political-Military Affairs, both of the Department of State; R. James Woolsey, former Director of the Central Intelligence Agency; and Fred C. Ikle, former Director of the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

RETIREMENT COVERAGE ERROR CORRECTION ACT

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services concluded hearings on S. 1710, to provide for the correction of certain Federal retirement coverage errors (with the exception of errors in effect for a period of less than three years of employee service after December 31, 1986) concerning: (1) Social Security-only covered employees who were erroneously CSRS (Civil Service Retirement System) covered or CSRS Offset covered; (2) Social Security-only covered employees not eligible to elect FERS (Federal Employees Retirement System) who were erroneously FERS covered; (3) CSRS covered, CSRS Offset covered, and FERS eligible Social Security-only covered employees who were erroneously FERS covered without an election; (4) FERS covered current and former employees who were erroneously CSRS covered or CSRS Offset covered; and (5) annuitants and survivors in cases where FERS covered employees were erroneously CSRS covered or CSRS Offset covered, after receiving testimony from William E. Flynn, III, Associate Director for Retirement and Insurance, Office of Personnel Management; Roger W. Mehle, Executive Director, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board; and Dallas L. Salisbury, Employee Benefit Research Institute, and Daniel F. Geisler, American Foreign Service Association, both of Washington, D.C.

TOBACCO SETTLEMENT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings to examine the constitutionality of proposed legislation to reform and restructure the process by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, after receiving testimony from David W. Ogden, Counselor to the Attorney General, Department of Justice; Colorado Attorney General Gale Norton, Denver; David C. Vladeck, Public Citizen Litigation Group, Washington, D.C.; and Burt Neuborne, New York University School of Law, New York, New York, on behalf of the Association of National Advertisers, Inc.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

H.R. 2614, to improve the reading and literacy skills of children and families by improving in-service instructional practices for teachers who teach reading, to stimulate the development of more high-quality family literacy programs, to support extended learning-time opportunities for children, and to ensure that children can read well and independently not later than third grade, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Douglas S. Eakeley, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Legal

Services Corporation, Robert H. Beatty, Jr., of West Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission, Raymond L. Bramucci, of New Jersey, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Employment and Training, Rita R. Colwell, of Maryland, to be Director of the National Science Foundation, Thomas Ehrlich, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service, Seth D. Harris, of New York, to be Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor, William James Ivey, of Tennessee, to be Chairperson of the National Endowment for the Arts, Dorothy A. Johnson, of Michigan, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service, Cyril Kent McGuire, of New Jersey, to be Assistant Secretary of Education for Educational Research and Improvement, and Jeanne Hurley Simon, of Illinois, to be a Member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 15 public bills, H.R. 3850–3864; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 276 and H. Res. 429, were introduced. **Page 9160**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 3504, to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize appropriations for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and to further define the criteria for capital repair and operation and maintenance, amended (H. Doc. 105–533); and

H. Res. 430, providing for consideration of H.R. 2431, to establish an Office of Religious Persecution Monitoring, to provide for the imposition of sanctions against countries engaged in a pattern of religious persecution (H. Doc. 105–534). **Page 9160**

Recess: The House recessed at 9:05 a.m. and reconvened at 10:36 a.m. **Page 9019**

Former Members of Congress Association Annual Meeting: Agreed that the proceedings during the recess be printed in the Congressional Record and that all Members and former Members who spoke during the recess have the privilege of revising and extending their remarks. **Page 9027**

Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 429, electing Representative Parker to the Committee on Education and the Workforce; Representative Lewis of Kentucky to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight; Representative Burr of North Carolina to the Committee on International Relations; and Representative

Bono to the Committees on Judiciary and National Security. **Page 9027**

Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

Imposition of Sanctions on India: Message wherein he transmitted his report concerning his actions to impose sanctions on India—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–250); and **Page 9029**

National Emergency Re Iran: Message wherein he transmitted his report concerning the National Emergency with respect to Iran—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–252); **Page 9135**

Financial Services Competition Act of 1997: The House passed H.R. 10, to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, and other financial service providers by a recorded vote of 214 ayes to 213 noes, Roll No. 151. **Page 9042**

On demand for a separate vote, agreed to the Metcalf amendment that allows the retention of “Federal” in the name of a depository institution that is converted from a Federal savings association to a national bank or a State bank by a yeas and nays vote of 256 yeas to 166 nays, Roll No. 150. The amendment was agreed to earlier in the Committee of the Whole by a division vote of 14 to 7. **Page 9134**

Agreed To:

The Bliley amendment that requires each financial regulatory authority to review consumer fee disclosures for accuracy, simplicity, and completeness; provides the SEC with backup authority to inspect any wholesale financial holding company; preserves the authority of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission; allows Federal regulators to jointly preempt State law that afford less consumer protection than Federal regulations; clarifies language to preempt state laws which prevent or significantly interfere with national bank activities or affiliations to make it more consistent with current law and the Barnett Bank of Marion County Supreme Court case; preserves current legal standards governing bank insurance sales; provides for interagency consultation to encourage coordination and sharing of confidential information to improve the supervision of financial holding companies and affiliated institutions; permits banks to charge unlimited fees for services in their trust department including stock purchase plans as long as there are no brokerage commissions; preserves the authority of the FTC and Attorney General in antitrust regulation; clarifies the jurisdiction of the FTC and preserves the authority of Federal banking agencies; clarifies that certain acquisitions of insurance companies and securities firms are subject to the Hart-Scott-Rodino antitrust review; requires an annual GAO report on market concentration in the financial

services industry and its impact on consumers; clarifies the type of derivative instruments that can be sold by banks; specifies that a qualified investor includes the government of any foreign country; requires a study by the Secretary of the Treasury, Federal banking agencies, and the SEC on the extent that services are being provided as intended by the Community Reinvestment Act; and requires an interim report from the FTC on its ongoing study on privacy issues (agreed to by a recorded vote of 407 ayes to 11 noes, Roll No. 143); **Page 9085**

The Leach substitute amendment to the Roukema amendment that eliminates the 5 percent commercial basket for financial holding companies and allows a 15 percent market basket to sunset after 10 years for certain grandfathered financial holding companies (agreed to by a recorded vote of 229 ayes to 193 noes, Roll No. 146); **Pages 9122, 9128**

The Roukema amendment, as amended, that eliminates the 5 percent commercial basket for financial holding companies and allows a 15 percent market basket to sunset after 10 years for certain grandfathered financial holding companies (agreed to by a recorded vote of 218 ayes to 204 noes, Roll No. 147); **Pages 9116, 9129**

The Kingston amendment that requires a GAO study of the economic impact that enactment will have on financial institutions with total assets of \$100 million or less (agreed to by a recorded vote of 404 ayes to 18 noes with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 148); **Pages 9126, 9130**

The Roukema amendment that requires a study by the FDIC on the Bank Insurance Fund and the Savings Association Insurance Fund with respect to size, risk, concentration levels of funds by number and geographic area, and issues and findings related to the planned merger of the funds (agreed to by a recorded vote of 406 ayes to 13 noes, Roll No. 149); **Pages 9127, 9130**

The Sanders amendment that requires a GAO study regarding the efficacy and benefits of uniformly limiting the fees associated with acquiring financial products; **Page 9131**

The Metcalf amendment that allows the retention of "Federal" in the name of a depository institution that is converted from a Federal savings association to a national bank or a state bank (agreed to by a division vote of 14 to 7); and **Page 9131**

The Moran amendment that provides a 5 year sunset on the requirement that a bank purchase an insurance agency in order to engage in new insurance activities in a new state. **Page 9133**

Rejected:

The LaFalce amendment that sought to authorize the subsidiaries of banks to engage in all financial activities, except for insurance underwriting and real estate development, through an operating subsidiary structure; ensures that consumer protection regulations accede to the stronger of state or Federal consumer protection laws; requires an annual GAO report on market concentration

and its impact on consumer and interim reports from the FTC on its ongoing study on consumer privacy issues (rejected by a recorded vote of 115 ayes to 306 noes with Roll No. 144); and **Page 9094**

The Baker amendment that sought to eliminate Community Reinvestment Act requirements for FDIC insured depository institutions with total assets of less than \$100 million; establishes a three year sunset on the requirement that a bank acquire an insurance agency that is at least two years old and provides that state insurance commissioners can exempt a bank from this requirement; requires a study by the Comptroller of the Currency in conjunction with the National Association of Insurance Commissioners on the effectiveness of section 104(b)(2)(A) relating to the use of the Illinois law in establishing a safe harbor for the regulation of insurance sales and solicitation activity; prohibits the acquisition of a unitary thrift by an unregulated nonfinancial company; and authorizes subsidiaries of national banks to engage in certain financial activities (rejected by a recorded vote of 140 ayes to 281 noes with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 145); **Page 9105**

H. Res. 428, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 311 yeas to 105 nays, Roll No. 142. Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in part 1 of H. Rept. 105-531, the report accompanying the rule, was considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. **Page 9033**

Mandates Information Act of 1998: The House completed general debate and began consideration of amendments to H.R. 3534, to improve congressional deliberation on proposed Federal private sector mandates. Consideration of amendments will resume on Thursday, May 14. **Page 9136**

Agreed to the Davis of Virginia amendment that clarifies the definition of Federal intergovernmental mandates to insure that the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act applies to Medicaid and other entitlement program mandates. **Page 9143**

Earlier the House agreed to H. Res. 426, the rule that is providing for consideration of the bill by a voice vote. **Page 9029**

Senate Messages: Message received today from the Senate appears on page 9026.

Referral: S. Con. Res. 75, honoring the sesquicentennial of Wisconsin statehood, was referred to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight. **Page 9158**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 9162.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yeas and nay votes and eight recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages

9042, 9093, 9104, 9116, 9128, 9129, 9130, 9134, and 9135. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:59 p.m.

Committee Meetings

OVERSIGHT—EPA ACTIVITIES—ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATIONS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Forestry, Resource Conservation, and Research and the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry held a joint oversight hearing on EPA activities related to concentrated animal feeding operations. Testimony was heard from Representative Miller of California; the following officials of the EPA: Michael Cook, Director, Office of Wastewater Management, Office of Water; and Elaine Stanley, Director, Office of Compliance, Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance; Pearl Reed, Chief, Natural Resources Conservation Service, USDA; John Baker, Commissioner, Natural Resources Conservation Commission, State of Texas; and Peter Rooney, Secretary, Environmental Protection Agency, State of California.

OVERSIGHT—IS FHA LIMITING CHOICES FOR HOME FINANCE?

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Housing and Community Development held an oversight hearing on Is FHA Limiting Choices for Home Finance? An Examination of Fair Housing Compliance. Testimony was heard from Representative Davis of Illinois; and public witnesses.

FUNDING SPECIAL EDUCATION—GOVERNMENT'S COMMITMENT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Held a hearing on First Things First: Review of the Federal Government's Commitment to Funding Special Education. Testimony was heard from Representatives Bass and McCarthy of New York; and public witnesses.

CAMPAIGN FUNDRAISING

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Failed to obtain two-thirds Committee majority to grant immunity to four individuals regarding campaign fundraising investigation.

KYOTO PROTOCOL

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on the Kyoto Protocol: Problems with U.S. Sovereignty and the Lack of Developing Country Participation. Testimony was heard from Representative Knollenberg; Janet Yellen, Chair, Council of Economic Advisors; Stuart Eizenstat, Under Secretary, Economic, Business and Agricultural Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere approved for full Committee action amended the following resolutions: H. Con. Res. 254, calling on the Government of Cuba to extradite to the United States convicted felon Joanne Chesimard and all other individuals who have fled the United States to avoid prosecution or confinement for criminal offenses and who are currently living freely in Cuba; and H. Res. 421, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives deploring the tragic and senseless murder of Bishop Juan Jose Gerardi, calling on the Government of Guatemala to expeditiously bring those responsible for the crime to justice, and calling on the people of Guatemala to reaffirm their commitment to continue to implement the peace accords without interruption.

BANKRUPTCY REFORM ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Began markup of H.R. 3150, Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1998.

Will continue tomorrow.

OVERSIGHT—NATIONAL FOREST FOUNDATION

Committee on Resources: Held an oversight hearing on the National Forest Foundation. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the USDA: Roger C. Viadero, Inspector General; and Michael Dombeck, Chief, Forest Service; and a public witness.

FREEDOM FROM RELIGIOUS PERSECUTION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a structured rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 2431, Freedom From Religious Persecution Act. The rule makes in order as an original bill for amendment purposes an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of H.R. 3806, as modified by the amendments printed in part 1 of the report of the Committee on Rules. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered as read. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in part 2 of the report of the Committee on Rules. The rule provides that amendments will be considered only in the order specified in the report, may be offered only by the Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report, equally divided between a proponent and an opponent and are not subject to amendment or a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment printed in the Rules Committee report. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Gilman; Representatives Smith of New Jersey, Manzullo, Brady, Smith of Texas and Watt of North Carolina.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Science: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 2544, Technology Transfer Commercialization Act of 1997; H.R. 3007, Commission on the Advancement of Women in Science, Engineering, and Technology Development Act; H.R. 3332, Next Generation Internet Research Act of 1998; and H.R. 3824, amending the Fastener Quality Act to exempt from its coverage certain fasteners approved by the Federal Aviation Administration for use in aircraft.

The Committee also considered pending Committee business.

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Railroads concluded hearings on the Surface Transportation Board Reauthorization: Rates, Access and Remedies. Testimony was heard from Linda J. Morgan, Chairwoman, Surface Transportation Board, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

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Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Seven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2079-2085 and S. Con. Res. 96. Page 9257

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1415, to reform and restructure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, and for other purposes, with amendments.

Special Report entitled "Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for the Concurrent Resolution for the Fiscal Year 1999". (S. Rept. No. 105-191) Page 9256

Measures Passed:

WIPO Copyright Treaty Implementation: By a unanimous vote of 99 yeas (Vote No. 137), Senate passed S. 2037, to amend title 17, United States Code, to implement the WIPO Copyright Treaty and the WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty, and to provide limitations on copyright liability relating to material online, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: Page 9233

Hatch Amendment No. 2411, to make technical corrections. Page 9235

Department of Defense Authorizations: Senate resumed consideration of S. 2057, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, and to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: Page 9198

Adopted:

Thurmond/Levin Amendment No. 2399, to increase the amount for classified programs, and to offset the increase by reducing the amount for Air Force procurement for the Advance Medium Air-to-Air Missile System program, and the amount for Defense-wide research, development, test, and evaluation for engineering and manufacturing development under the Theater High Area Defense program. Page 9202

Hutchinson/Abraham Amendment No. 2387, relating to commercial activities in the United States of the People's Liberation Army and other Communist Chinese military companies. (By 24 yeas to 76 nays (Vote No. 136), Senate earlier failed to table the amendment.) Pages 9212, 9225, 9229

Thomas Amendment No. 2401 (to Amendment No. 2387), to strike the findings provisions. Pages 9219, 9229

Hutchinson/Abraham Modified Amendment No. 2388, relating to the use of forced labor in the People's Republic of China. Page 9220

Harkin Amendment No. 2402 (to Amendment No. 2388), to increase monitoring of imported products made with forced or indentured labor and forced or indentured child labor. (The amendment was incorporated into the modification of Amendment No. 2388.) Page 9222

McCain/Levin Amendment No. 2410, to provide eligibility for hardship duty pay on the basis of the nature of the duty performed instead of the location of the duty, and to repeal an exception. Page 9231

Pending:

Feinstein Amendment No. 2405, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the Indian nuclear tests. Page 9226

Brownback Amendment No. 2407 (to Amendment No. 2405), to repeal a restriction on the provision of certain assistance and other transfers to Pakistan. Page 9228

Universal Tobacco Settlement Act: A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1415, to reform and restructure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Monday, May 18, 1998. Page 9233

American Competitiveness Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 1723, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to assist the United States to remain competitive by increasing the access of the United States firms and institutions of higher education to skilled personnel and by expanding educational and training opportunities for American students and workers, on Monday, May 18, 1998. **Page 9276**

Appointments:

National Skill Standards Board: The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore and upon the recommendation of the Majority Leader, pursuant to P.L. 103-227, appointed the following individuals to the National Skill Standards Board: Jon A. Reeves, of Mississippi, Ronald K. Robinson, of Mississippi, and Earline N. Ashley, of Mississippi. **Page 9276**

North Atlantic Assembly: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, in accordance with 22 U.S.C. 1928a-1928d, as amended, appointed Senator Hutchinson as a member of the Senate Delegation to the North Atlantic Assembly during the Second Session of the 105th Congress, to be held in Barcelona, Spain, May 22-27, 1998. **Page 9276**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Paul J. Hoeper, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army.

William P. Dimitrouleas, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.

Stephan P. Mickle, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Florida.

Sue Bailey, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense. **Pages 9276, 9277**

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—137) **Pages 9229, 9244**

Adjournment: Senate adjourned for 1 minute during today's proceedings, thus changing the legislative day. **Page 9233**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:41 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, May 15,

1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 9277.)

Committee Meetings

YEAR 2000 COMPLIANCE

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee held hearings to examine the Department of Agriculture information technology systems to ensure compliance with Year 2000 deadline, receiving testimony from Marsha Pyle Martin, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration; Brooksley Born, Chairperson, Commodity Futures Trading Commission; Anne F. Thomson Reed, Chief Information Officer, Department of Agriculture; Joel C. Willemssen, Director, Civil Agencies Information Systems, Accounting and Information Management Division, General Accounting Office; Peter de Jager, de Jager and Company, Ltd., Toronto, Canada; and Irene Dec, Prudential Insurance Company of America, Roseland, New Jersey.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

SUBCOMMITTEE ALLOCATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee completed its review of subcommittee 302(b) allocations of budget outlays and new budget authority allocated to the committee in S. Con. Res. 86, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal years 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, and 2003.

ERISA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education and Related Agencies concluded hearings to examine the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA) preemption, focusing on remedies for denied or delayed health claims, after receiving testimony from Olena Berg, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Pension and Welfare Benefits; Evan Miller, Hogan & Hartson, on behalf of the Association of Private Pension, and Ronald F. Pollack, Families USA Foundation, both of Washington, D.C.; and Mark Smith, AMP Incorporated, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, on behalf of the National Association of Manufacturers.

APPROPRIATIONS—BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO AND FIREARMS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury and General Government concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of the Treasury, focusing on the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms' Gang Resistance, Education and Training program, after receiving testimony from John W. Magaw, Director, and Gale Rossides, Assistant Director for Training and Professional Development, both of the Bureau of ATF, Department of the Treasury; Edward N. Kondracki, La Crosse Police Department, La Crosse, Wisconsin; Cuyler Windham, Cumberland County Police

Department, Fayetteville, North Carolina; and numerous public witnesses.

NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation concluded hearings on S. 1693, to improve state-of-the-art protection and interpretation to NPS sources, focusing on Title IX, Commercial Filming in National Parks, and Title X, Capital Improvement Project Bond Demonstration Program, and S. 1614, to require a permit for the making of a motion picture, television program, or other forms of commercial visual depiction in a unit of the National Park System or National Wildlife Refuge System, after receiving testimony from Representative Hefley; Destry Jarvis, Assistant Director for External Affairs, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; Albert C. Eisenberg, National Parks and Conservation Association; Jack Valenti, Motion Picture Association of America; Jeff Perlman, American Advertising Federation, and Daniel L. Jaffe, Association of National Advertisers, Inc., all of Washington, D.C.; Matthew Miller, Association of Independent Commercial Producers, Inc., and Alfred R. Califano, OneSuch Films, both of New York, New York; Leigh von der Esch, State of Utah Film Commission, Salt Lake City; and Victor S. Perlman, American Society of Media Photographers, Princeton Junction, New Jersey.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 1415, to reform and restructure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, with amendments.

CHINA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee held hearings to examine United States interests at the forthcoming U.S.-China summit to be held in June, receiving testimony from Stanley O. Roth, Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs; Robert Kagan, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Mike Jendrzeczyk, Human Rights Watch/Asia Division, and Robert A. Kapp, United States-China Business Council, all of Washington, D.C.; and Arthur Waldron, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

IRAN

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs concluded hearings to examine United States policy toward Iran, after receiving testimony from Martin S. Indyk, Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs; Richard W. Murphy, Council on Foreign Relations, New York, New York; and

Michael Eisenstadt, Washington Institute for Near East Policy, and Steven Emerson, both of Washington, D.C.

SAFETY OF FOOD IMPORTS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations held hearings to examine the adequacy of procedures and systems used by the Department of Agriculture Food Safety and Inspection Service and the Department of Health and Human Services Food and Drug Administration to oversee the safety of food imported into the United States, receiving testimony from Robert E. Robertson, Associate Director, Food and Agriculture Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; Reggie Jang, San Francisco, California, former Consumer Safety Inspector, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Resources; and Mary Ellen Camire, University of Maine, Orono.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Rosemary S. Pooler and Robert D. Sack, both of New York, each to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, Victoria A. Roberts, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan, Richard W. Roberts, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, and Ronnie L. White, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Ms. Roberts was introduced by Senators Levin and Abraham and Representative Upton, Mr. Roberts was introduced by District of Columbia Delegate Norton, and Mr. White was introduced by Senator Bond and Representative Clay.

NOMINATION

Committee on Small Business: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Fred P. Hochberg, of New York, to be Deputy Administrator of the Small Business Administration.

Prior to this action, committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Mr. Hochberg, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf. Testimony was also received on the nominee from Senator D'Amato; Representative Forbes; and Ada Alvarez, Administrator, Small Business Administration.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 25 public bills, H.R. 3865–3889; and 9 resolutions, H.J. Res. 119, H. Con. Res. 277, and H. Res. 431–434 and 437–439, were introduced. **Page 9331**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 435, providing for consideration of H.R. 3616, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1999 (H. Doc. 105–535); and

H. Res. 436, providing for consideration of H. Res. 432, Expressing the Sense of the House of Representatives Concerning the President's Assertion of Executive Privilege and providing for consideration of H. Res. 437, Calling Upon the President of the United States to Urge Full Cooperation By His Former Political Appointees and Friends and their Associates with Congressional Investigations (H. Doc. 105–536). **Page 9331**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Ney to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 9278**

Motion To Adjourn: Rejected the Serrano motion to adjourn by a yea and nay vote of 15 yeas to 379 nays, with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 152. **Page 9278**

Question of Privilege of the House: The Chair ruled that H. Res. 431, relating to a question of the privileges of the House did constitute a question of privilege and was in order. **Page 9279**

Subsequently, agreed to the Arney motion to table the resolution by a recorded vote of 223 yeas to 196 noes, Roll No. 153. **Page 9279**

Freedom From Religious Persecution Act of 1998: The House passed H.R. 2431, to establish an Office of Religious Persecution Monitoring, to provide for the imposition of sanctions against countries engaged in a pattern of religious persecution by yeas and nays vote of 375 yeas to 41 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 155. **Page 9291**

Agreed To:

The Brady amendment that establishes provisions to promote religious freedom including an internet site, training for foreign service officers, equal access to U.S. missions abroad for conducting religious activities, international broadcasting and exchanges; and foreign service awards for promotion of internationally recognized human rights; creates a five member commission on international religious persecution composed of a Director, two Senators and two Members of the House of Representatives; and provides limited contract sanctity for transactions involving the Trade and Development Agency or the Export Import Bank; **Page 9308**

The Hastings of Florida amendment that permits the Director of the Office of Religious Persecution Monitoring, in consultation with the Secretary of State to make policy recommendations to the President to promote and develop legal protections and cultural respect for religious freedom; and requires the Director to assist the Secretary of State in establishing an award program for foreign service officers who provide meritorious service in the promotion of human rights including the right to religious freedom (agreed to by yeas and nays vote of 415 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 154); and **Page 9310**

The Campbell amendment that permits the President to waive sanctions against Sudan if the President determines that national security interests justify a waiver and notifies specified Senate and House of Representatives committees in writing of his intention to waive any sanction. **Page 9312**

H. Res. 430, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a voice vote. Pursuant to the rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of H.R. 3806, modified by the amendments printed in part 1 of H. Rept. 105–534, the report accompanying the rule, was considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. **Page 9282**

Committee Election: the House agreed to H. Res. 434, electing the Delegate of the Virgin Islands, the Honorable Christian-Green to the Committee on Small Business. **Page 9314**

Legislative Program: The Majority Leader announced the legislative program for the week of May 18. **Page 9314**

Meeting Hour—Monday, May 18: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at noon on Monday, May 18. **Page 9315**

Meeting Hour—Tuesday, May 19: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, it adjourn to meet at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, May 19, for Morning Hour debate. **Page 9316**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday, May 20. **Page 9316**

Resignations—Appointments: Agreed that notwithstanding any adjournment of the House until Monday, May 18, the Speaker, Majority Leader, and Minority Leader be authorized to accept resignations and to make appointments authorized by law or by the House. **Page 9316**

Senate Messages: Message received today from the Senate appears on page 9278.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 9333.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yeas and nays votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the

House today and appear on pages 9278, 9279, 9311, and 9314. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Commerce: Ordered reported the following measures: H. Con. Res. 171, declaring the memorial service sponsored by the National Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Memorial Service Board of Directors to honor emergency medical services personnel to be the "National Emergency Medical Services Memorial Service"; H.R. 2202, amended, National Bone Marrow Registry Reauthorization Act of 1998; and H.R. 3849, amended, Internet Tax Freedom Act.

CHINA TRADE POLICY

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on China Trade Policy. Testimony was heard from Ambassador David Aaron, Under Secretary, International Trade, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Workforce Protections approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 2869, to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 to exempt safety and health assessments, audits, and reviews conducted by or for an employer from enforcement action under such Act; H.R. 2873, amended, to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970; H.R. 2661, amended, Sound Scientific Practices Act; and H.R. 3725, amended, Postal Service Health and Safety Promotion Act.

GULF WAR VETERANS' ILLNESSES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing on the Status of Efforts to Identify Gulf War Veterans' Illnesses: Tumor Data. Testimony was heard from Kwai Chan, Director, Special Studies and Evaluation Group, GAO; Susan Mather, M.D., Chief, Public Health and Environmental Hazards Officer, Department of Veterans Affairs; Gary Christopherson, Acting Assistant Secretary (Health Affairs), Department of Defense; Richard Miller, M.D., Director, Medical Follow-Up Agency, Institute of Medicine/National Academy of Sciences; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific approved for full Committee action the following resolutions: H. Res. 392, relating to the importance of Japanese-American relations and the urgent need for Japan to more effectively address its economic and financial problems and open its markets by eliminating in-

formal barriers to trade and investment, thereby making a more effective contribution to leading the Asian region out of its current financial crisis, insuring against a global recession, and reinforcing regional stability and security; and H. Res. 404, commemorating 100 years of relations between the people of the United States and the people of the Philippines.

BANKRUPTCY REFORM ACT; RELIGIOUS LIBERTY AND CHARITABLE DONATION PROTECTION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 3150, amended, Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1998; and H.R. 2604, Religious Liberty and Charitable Donation Protection Act of 1997.

OVERSIGHT—PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS VALOR—CONGRESSIONAL RECOGNITION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime held an oversight hearing on Congressional Recognition for Acts of Exceptional Valor by Public Safety Officers. Testimony was heard from Peter E. Bergin, Acting, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary and Director, Diplomatic Security Service, Department of State; Donnie R. Marshall, Acting Deputy Administrator, DEA, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF OIL AND GAS LEASING

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held an oversight hearing on Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing. Testimony was heard from Senator Boxer; Representatives Jones, Pallone, Cunningham, Capps, Lampson, Regula, Scarborough, Goss and Taylor of Mississippi; and Cynthia Quartermann, Director, Minerals Management Service, Department of the Interior.

DISABLED SPORTSMEN'S ACCESS ACT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans held a hearing on H.R. 2760, Disabled Sportsmen's Access Act. Testimony was heard from Representatives Cunningham, Peterson of Minnesota, Chambliss and Kelly; the following officials of the Department of Defense: Sherri W. Goodman, Deputy Under Secretary, Environmental Security; and Lt. Col. A. Lewis Deal, USMC, Executive Officer, Weapons Training Battalion, Quantico Marine Corps Base; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—ROCKY MOUNTAIN WEST—FOREST HEALTH

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held an oversight hearing on Forest Health in the Rocky Mountain West. Testimony was heard from Lyle Laverty, Regional Forester, Rocky Mountain Region, Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 3616, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999. The rule waives all points of order against the bill. Finally, the rule provides that there shall be no further consideration of the measure except by subsequent order of the House. Testimony was heard from Chairman Spence and Representative Skelton.

**SENSE OF THE HOUSE RESOLUTION
CONCERNING EXECUTIVE PRIVILEGE;
COOPERATION WITH CONGRESSIONAL
INVESTIGATIONS**

Committee on Rules: Granted by a vote of 7 to 1, a rule providing for consideration of H. Res. 432, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives concerning the President's assertions of executive privilege, in the House with 1 hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the Majority Leader or his designee and an opponent. The rule provides that the resolution shall be considered as read. The rule provides that the previous question shall be considered as ordered on the resolution to final adoption without intervening motion.

The rule provides for consideration of H. Res. 433, calling upon the President of the United States to urge full cooperation by his former political appointees and friends and their associates with congressional investigations, in the House with one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the Majority Leader and an opponent. The rule provides that the resolution be considered as read. Finally, the rule provides that the previous question shall be considered as ordered on the resolution to final adoption without intervening motion.

**COMMUNICATING SCIENCE AND
ENGINEERING**

Committee on Science: Held an oversight hearing on Communicating Science and Engineering in a Sound-Bite World. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—MILLENNIUM SHORT CIRCUIT

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Technology and the Subcommittee on Management, Information, and Technology of the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight held a joint oversight hearing on Millennium Short Circuit: The Y2K Effect on Energy Utilities. Testimony was heard from Hugh L. Thompson, Jr., Deputy Executive Director, Regulatory Programs, NRC; Kathleen M. Hirning, Chief Information Officer, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

DRUG-FREE WORK PLACES

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Empowerment held a hearing on how to best obtain drug-free

work places. Testimony was heard from Representative Portman; and public witnesses.

AVIATION SECURITY EFFORTS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on the Status of Aviation Security efforts with a focus on the National Safe Skies Alliance and Passenger Profiling Criteria. Testimony was heard from Keith O. Fultz, Assistant Comptroller General, Resources, Community and Economic Development Division, GAO; the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Alexis M. Stefani, Deputy Assistant Inspector General, Aviation; and Adm. Cathal L. Flynn, Associate Administrator, Civil Aviation Security, FAA; James E. Orlando, Advisor to the Aviation Mail Security Committee, U.S. Postal Service; and public witnesses.

OIL POLLUTION—CRIMINAL LIABILITY

Committee on Transportation: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing on Criminal Liability for Oil Pollution. Testimony was heard from Capt. Malcolm Williams, USCG, Chief, Office of Maritime and International Law, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

**VA MEDICAL CENTER—ALLEGED DEATH
COVERUPS**

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on the GAO report of the Inspector General investigation of an alleged cover-up of deaths at the Columbia, Missouri VA Medical Center in 1992, and an examination of VA's development of a quality assurance/risk management reporting system. Testimony was heard from Representative Hulshof; Eljay B. Bowron, Assistant Comptroller General, Special Investigations, Office of Special Investigations, GAO; and the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Richard J. Griffin, Inspector General; and Thomas L. Garthwaite, M.D., Deputy Under Secretary, Veterans Health Administration.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 3828, Veterans Medicare Access Improvement Act of 1998; and H.R. 3809, Drug Free Borders Act of 1998.

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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 9396-9413

Measures Introduced: One bill was introduced, as follows: S. 2086. Page 9408

Measures Passed:

Care for Police Survivors Act: Senate passed H.R. 3565, to amend Part L of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, clearing the measure for the President. Page 9399

Public Safety Officers Educational Assistance Act: Senate passed S. 1525, to provide financial assistance for higher education to the dependents of Federal, State, and local public safety officers who are killed or permanently and totally disabled as the result of a traumatic injury sustained in the line of duty. Page 9400

Bulletproof Vest Partnership Act: Senate concurred in the amendments of the House to S. 1605, to establish a matching grant program to help State and local jurisdictions purchase armor vests for use by law enforcement departments, clearing the measure for the President. Page 9396

American Competitiveness Act Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 1723, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to assist the United States to remain competitive by increasing the access of United States firms and institutions of higher education to skilled personnel and by expanding educational and training opportunities for American students and workers, and amendments to be proposed thereto, on Monday, May 18, 1998, at 12 noon. Page 9412

Universal Tobacco Settlement Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 1415, to reform and restructure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, on Monday, May 18, 1998, following disposition of S. 1723 (listed above). Page 9412

A further unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the vote on the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to the consideration of the bill was vitiated. Page 9412

Appointments:

Library of Congress Trust Fund Board: The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, in consultation with the Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law 102-246, appointed Bernard Rapoport of Texas to the Library of Congress Trust Fund Board for a term of five years. Page 9410

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Alvin K. Hellerstein, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Navy. Page 9412

Statements on Introduced Bills: Page 9408

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Additional Statements: Page 9409

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 11:55 a.m., until 11 a.m., on Monday, May 18, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 9412.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session. It will next meet on Monday, May 18.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Monday, May 18, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 9424-9512

Measures Introduced: Four bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2087-2090, S. Con. Res. 97, and S. Res. 231. Page 9501

Measures Passed:

American Competitiveness Act: By 78 yeas to 20 nays (Vote No. 141), Senate passed S. 1723, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to assist the United States to remain competitive by increasing the access of the United States firms and institutions of higher education to skilled personnel and by expanding educational and training opportunities for American students and workers, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: Page 9433

Adopted:

Abraham (for Warner/Robb) Amendment No. 2412, to provide for special immigrant status for NATO civilian employees in the same manner as for employees of international organizations. Page 9446

Kennedy Amendment No. 2413, to provide whistleblower protection to foreign H-1B workers who file successful complaints against employers for violations of the H-1B program. **Page 9446**

Reid Amendment No. 2414, to require that applications for passports for minors have parental signatures. **Page 9458**

Abraham/Kennedy/McCain Amendment No. 2419, to modify the job training and scholarships provisions, to establish a prohibition of the use of H-1B visas by employers assisting in India's nuclear weapons program, and to make certain technical corrections. **Page 9472**

Rejected:

Bumpers Amendment No. 2416, to repeal the Immigrant Investor Program. (By 74 yeas to 24 nays (Vote No. 140), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages 9461, 9477**

Kennedy/Johnson Amendment No. 2417, to ensure that employers recruit qualified United States workers first, before applying for foreign workers under the H-1B visa program. (By 59 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 139), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages 9469, 9477**

Kennedy/Johnson Amendment No. 2418, to ensure that participating employers cannot lay off United States workers and replace them with temporary foreign workers under the H-1B visa program. (By 60 yeas to 38 nays (Vote No. 138), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages 9469, 9476**

Withdrawn:

Reed Amendment No. 2415, to strike section 4, relating to education and training in science and technology. **Page 9460**

Special Committee on the Year 2000 Technology Problem—Technical Amendment: Senate agreed to S. Res. 231, to make a technical amendment to Senate Resolution 208. **Page 9511**

Universal Tobacco Settlement Act: Senate began consideration of S. 1415, to reform and restructure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 2420). **Page 9481**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Tuesday, May 19, 1998.

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaty:

ILO Convention (No. 111) Concerning Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) (Treaty Doc. 105-45).

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and was ordered to be printed. **Page 9511**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report of the national emergency with respect to Burma; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM-127). **Page 9495**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Jose de Jesus Rivera, of Arizona, to be United States Attorney for the District of Arizona for the term of four years. **Page 9512**

Messages From the President: **Page 9495**

Communications: **Page 9495**

Petitions: **Page 9496**

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Amendments Submitted: **Page 9507**

Notices of Hearings: **Page 9509**

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Additional Statements: **Page 9509**

Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—141) **Pages 9477, 9478**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 11 a.m., and adjourned at 8:35 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, May 19, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 9512.)

Committee Meetings

INDONESIA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs concluded hearings to examine the political situation in Indonesia and the United States response to recent incidents of unrest, after receiving testimony from Stanley O. Roth, Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs; Donald Emmerson, University of Wisconsin, Madison; Adam Schwarz, Council on Foreign Relations, and Paul Wolfowitz, Johns Hopkins University, both of Washington, D.C.; and Sidney Jones, Human Rights Watch, New York, New York.

FAITH-BASED CHARITIES

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring, and the District of Columbia concluded hearings to examine the role of certain faith-based charities in the District of Columbia, after receiving testimony from Senator Coats; Edward J. Eyring, Gospel Rescue Ministries of Washington, D.C.; Hannah M. Hawkins, Children of Mine Center, Jim Till, Strategies to Elevate People, Amy Johnson, Neighborhood Learning Center, April Lassiter, The

Initiative for Children, and Joe Loconte, Heritage Foundation, all of Washington, D.C.

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House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 1 resolution, H. Res. 440, was introduced. **Page 9423**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 3433, to amend the Social Security Act to establish a Ticket to Work and Self-Sufficiency Program in the Social Security Administration to provide beneficiaries with disabilities meaningful opportunities to return to work and to extend Medicare coverage for such beneficiaries, and to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a tax credit for impairment-related work expenses, amended (H. Rept. 105-537);

H.R. 2202, to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend the bone marrow donor program, amended (H. Rept. 105-538); and

H. Con. Res. 171, declaring the memorial service sponsored by the National Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Memorial Service Board of Directors to honor emergency medical services personnel to be the "National Emergency Medical Services Memorial Service" (H. Rept. 105-539). **Page 9423**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Miller of Florida to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 9414**

Advancement of Federal Law Enforcement Commission: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment on May 15th of Mr. Robert E. Sanders of Florida to the Commission on the Advancement of Federal Law Enforcement. **Page 9414**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 9414.

Referral: S. 1525, to provide financial assistance for higher education to the dependents of Federal, State, and local public safety officers who are killed or permanently and totally disabled as the result of a traumatic injury sustained in the line of duty was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. **Page 9422**

Quorum Calls—Votes: No quorum calls or recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: Met at 12:00 noon and adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 9520-9642

Measures Introduced: Three bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2091-2093, and S. Res. 232. **Page 9622**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 8, to reauthorize and amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Liability, and Compensation Act of 1980, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105-192)

S. Res. 172, congratulating President Chandrika Bandaranaike Kumaratunga and the people of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka on the celebration of 50 years of independence.

S. Res. 188, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding Israeli membership in a United Nations regional group. **Page 9621**

Measures Passed:

Commemorative Coin Program: Senate passed H.R. 3301, to amend chapter 51 of title 31, United States Code, to allow the Secretary of the Treasury greater discretion with regard to the placement of the required inscriptions on quarter dollars issued under the 50 States Commemorative Coin Program, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 9621**

Universal Tobacco Settlement Act: Senate continued consideration of S. 1415, to reform and restructure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 2420), taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 9522, 9638**

Rejected:

Faircloth Amendment No. 2421 (to Amendment No. 2420), to establish a limitation on attorney's fees. (By 58 yeas to 39 nays, two responding present (Vote No. 142), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Page 9586**

Pending:

Kennedy/Lautenberg Amendment No. 2422 (to Amendment No. 2420), to modify those provisions relating to revenues from payments made by participating tobacco companies. **Page 9608**

Ashcroft Amendment No. 2427 (to Amendment No. 2422), to strike those provisions relating to consumer taxes. **Page 9611**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill and the amendments pending thereto on Wednesday, May 20, 1998.

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Carl J. Barbier, of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana.

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Messages From the House:

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Amendments Submitted:

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Authority for Committees:

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Additional Statements:

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—142)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 8:23 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, May 20, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 9642.)

Committee Meetings

NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development concluded hearings to examine the state of advanced nuclear technologies, focusing on the disposal of spent nuclear fuel from nuclear power reactors, the future strategic direction for nuclear energy and nuclear regulation, and the development of the Gas Turbine-Modular Helium Reactor, after receiving testimony from Hank C. Jenkins-Smith, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque; Joe F. Colvin, Jr., Nuclear Energy Institute, Washington, D.C.; Corbin A. McNeill, Jr., PECO Energy Company, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Richard Wilson, Harvard University, and Alan B. Smith, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, both of Cambridge, Massachusetts; Stan O. Schriber, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, New Mexico; Linden Blue, General Atomics, San Diego, California; and Charles E. Till, Argonne National Laboratory, Argonne, Illinois.

FCC

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications resumed oversight hearings to examine the Federal Communications Commission, focusing on activities of the Mass Media Bureau, receiving testimony from Roy Stewart, Chief, Mass Media Bureau, FCC.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

PUERTO RICO

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee held oversight hearings to examine fiscal and economic implications of a change in the political status of Puerto Rico, receiving testimony from James R. White, Associate Director, Tax Policy and Administration Issues, General Accounting Office; J. Thomas Hexner, International Institute for Advanced Studies, Cambridge, Massachusetts; Ivar A. Pietri, Peregrine Development Company, Guaynabo, Puerto Rico; and Marcos Rodriguez-Ema, Government Development Bank for Puerto Rico, Fernando Martin-Garcia, Puerto Rican Independence Party, and Santos Negron Diaz, Puerto Rico Development Bank, all of San Juan.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1758, to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to facilitate protection of tropical forests through debt reduction with developing countries with tropical forests, with amendments;

S. Res. 172, congratulating President Chandrika Bandaranaike Kumaratunga and the people of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka on the celebration of 50 years of independence;

S. Res. 188, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding Israeli membership in a United Nations regional group;

An original bill to amend section 502B of the Foreign Assistance Act to require information on foreign government officials responsible for human rights abuses;

S. Con. Res. 30, expressing the sense of Congress that the Republic of China on Taiwan should be admitted to multilateral economic institutions including the IMF and IBRD;

H.R. 2232, to provide for increased international broadcasting activities to China, with amendments;

The International Convention for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants (Treaty Doc. 104-17), with 1 reservation, 2 declarations, and 1 proviso;

The International Grains Agreement (Treaty Doc. 105-4), with 1 declaration and 1 proviso;

Amendments to the Convention on the International Maritime Organization (Treaty Doc. 104-36), with 1 declaration and 1 proviso;

The Trademark Law Treaty (Treaty Doc. 105-35), with 2 declarations and 1 proviso; and

The nominations of William Joseph Burns, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, Ryan Clark Crocker, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Syrian Arab Republic, Charles H. Dolan, Jr., of Virginia, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy, and three Foreign Service Officer promotion lists, with an exception,

received in the Senate on March 26, 1998 and April 2, 1998.

GOVERNMENT COMPUTER SECURITY

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee held hearings to examine the state of computer security within Federal, State and local agencies, focusing on certain risks related to computer-communication technology and efforts to reduce them, receiving testimony from Peter G. Neumann, SRI International, Menlo Park, California; and representatives from LOphT Heavy Industries.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

TELEPHONE INDUSTRY CONSOLIDATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights and Competition concluded hearings to examine the state of competition in the telecommunications industry, focusing on how consolidation within the industry will affect businesses and consumers, including the impact of the proposed merger between Ameritech and SBC Communications, Inc., after receiving testimony from Edward E. Whitacre, Jr., SBC Communications, Inc., San Antonio, Texas; and Scott C. Cleland, Legg Mason Wood Walker, Inc., and Gene Kimmelman, Consumers Union, both of Washington, D.C.

BANKRUPTCY REFORM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts held hearings on S. 1914, to provide reforms to the business provisions of the bankruptcy code, focusing on Title II which updates and improves provisions of the bankruptcy code designed to ensure liquidity in financial markets, Title IV which establishes special fast-track bankruptcy procedures for businesses in Chapter 11 which have less than \$5 million in debt, and certain tax provisions, receiving testimony from Linda Ekstrom Stanley, United States Trustee for Region 17 (San Francisco, California), Department of Justice; Jere W. Glover, Chief Counsel for Advocacy, Small Business Administration; Roger L. Anderson, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Federal Finance; Philip J. Hendel, Hendel, Collins & Newton, Springfield, Massachusetts, on behalf of the Commercial Law League; Stephen H. Case, Davis, Polk & Wardwell, former Adviser, National Bankruptcy Review Commission, Ann Stern, Financial Guarantee Insurance Corporation, on behalf of the Association of Financial Guaranty Insurers, David Warren, Morgan Stanley Dean Witter & Co., Inc., on behalf of the Bond Market Association, and Kathleen J. Cahill, New York City Office of the Corporation Counsel, on behalf of the National League of Cities, all of New York, New York; Randal C. Picker, Sidley & Austin, on behalf of the National Bankruptcy Conference, and Illinois Assistant Attorney General James D. Newbold, on behalf of the National Association of Attorneys General, both of Chicago, Illinois; H. Elizabeth Baird, NationsBank, Charlotte, North Carolina, on behalf of the American Bankers

Association; Joyce Kuhns, Weinberg & Green, Baltimore, Maryland, on behalf of the International Council of Shopping Centers; Grant W. Newton, Pepperdine University, Malibu, California; and Damon Silvers, AFL-CIO, Washington, D.C.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

HEALTH CARE QUALITY

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee concluded hearings to examine how to implement improved health claim grievance procedures, focusing on the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA) requirements regarding internal review of health benefit claims and the need for independent external review, and S. 1712, to improve the quality of health plans and provide protections for consumers enrolled in such plans, after receiving testimony from Olena Berg, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Pension and Welfare Benefits; Margaret A. Hamburg, Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services for Planning and Evaluation; Bernice Steinhardt, Director, Health Services Quality and Public Health Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; Maryland State Delegate Marilyn Goldwater, Annapolis, on behalf of the National Conference of State Legislatures; Stephen deMontmollin, AvMed Health Plan, Gainesville, Florida, on behalf of the American Association of Health Plans; Mark Smith, AMP Incorporated, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, on behalf of the Corporate Health Care Coalition; Peter W. Thomas, Powers, Pyles, Sutter & Verville, Washington, D.C., on behalf of the Health Task Force of the Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities; and Thomas McAfee, Brown and Toland Medical Group, San Francisco, California.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 14 public bills, H.R. 3890–3903; and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 278, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Filed on May 18, H.R. 3150, to amend title 11 of the United States Code, amended (H. Rept. 105–540);

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Filed on May 18, H.R. 3809, to authorize appropriations for the United States Customs Service for fiscal years 1999 and 2000. Amended (H. Rept. 105–541);

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H.R. 2863, to amend the Migratory Bird Treaty Act to clarify restrictions under that Act on baiting, to facilitate acquisition of migratory bird habitat, amended (H. Rept. 105–542);

H.J. Res. 78, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States restoring religious freedom, amended (H. Rept. 105-543); and

H. Res. 441, providing for the further consideration of H.R. 3616, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1999 (H. Rept. 105-544). **Page 9767**

Recess: The House recessed at 11:21 p.m. and reconvened at 12:00 noon. **Page 9651**

Private Calendar: Agreed that the call of the Private Calendar for today be dispensed with. **Page 9652**

Presidential Message—Re Burma: Read a letter from the President, received on May 18, wherein he transmitted his report concerning the National Emergency with respect to Burma—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-253). **Page 9652**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Ricky Ray Hemophilia Relief Fund Act: H.R. 1023, amended, to provide for compassionate payments with regard to individuals with blood-clotting disorders, such as hemophilia, who contracted human immunodeficiency virus due to contaminated blood products. Agreed to amend the title; **Page 9653**

Veterans Transitional Housing Opportunities Act: H.R. 3039, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to guarantee loans to provide multifamily transitional housing for homeless veterans (passed by yeas and nays vote of 405 yeas to 1 nays, Roll No. 162); **Pages 9669, 9740**

Veterans Affairs Major Medical Facility Projects: H.R. 3603, amended, to authorize major medical facility projects and major medical facility leases for the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 1999; **Page 9671**

Collections of Information Antipiracy Act: H.R. 2652, amended, to amend title 17, United States Code, to prevent the misappropriation of collections of information; **Page 9675**

Limiting the Jurisdiction of the Federal Courts Re Prison Release Orders: H.R. 3718, to limit the jurisdiction of the Federal courts with respect to prison release orders (passed by a recorded vote of 352 yeas to 53 noes, Roll No. 163); **Pages 9681, 9741**

Drug Free Borders Act: H.R. 3809, amended, to authorize appropriations for the United States Customs Service for fiscal years 1999 and 2000 (passed by yeas and nays vote of 320 yeas to 86 nays, Roll No. 164). Agreed to amend the title; **Pages 9684, 9741**

National Historic Preservation Fund Reauthorization: H.R. 1522, amended, to extend the authorization for the National Historic Preservation Fund; **Page 9693**

Wetlands and Wildlife Enhancement Act of 1997: H.R. 2556, amended, to reauthorize the North American Wetlands Conservation Act and the Partnerships for Wildlife Act; **Page 9697**

New Wildlife Refuge Authorization Act: H.R. 512, amended, to prohibit the expenditure of funds from the Land and Water Conservation Fund for the creation of new National Wildlife Refuges without specific authorization from Congress pursuant to a recommendation from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service to create the refuge; **Page 9698**

Honoring EMS Personnel Who Have Died in the Line of Duty: H. Con. Res. 171, amended, declaring the memorial service sponsored by the National Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Memorial Service Board of Directors to honor emergency medical services personnel to be the "National Emergency Medical Services Memorial Service." Agreed to amend the title; **Page 9701**

National Bone Marrow Donor Registry Reauthorization: H.R. 2202, amended, to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend the bone marrow donor program; **Page 9703**

Energy Policy and Conservation Act Program Extensions: Concurred in the Senate amendment to the House amendment to the Senate amendment to H.R. 2472, to extend certain programs under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act—clearing the measure for the President; and **Page 9707**

Immunity from Prosecution for Testimony Re Illegal Fundraising Activities: H. Res. 440, expressing the sense of the Congress that the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight should confer immunity from prosecution for information and testimony concerning illegal foreign fundraising activities (agreed to by yeas and nays vote of 402 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 161). **Page 9731**

Mandates Information Act of 1998: The House passed H.R. 3534, to improve congressional deliberation on proposed Federal private sector mandates by a recorded vote of 279 yeas to 132 noes, Roll No. 160. The House completed general debate and began considering amendments to the bill on May 13. **Page 9708**

Agreed To:

The Trafficant amendment that requires annual CBO reports on the economic impact of the Act on employment and businesses in the United States. **Page 9721**

Rejected:

The Moakley amendment, as modified, that sought to strike language that exempts from points of order provisions that result in net decreases in tax and tariff revenues

(rejected by a recorded vote of 176 ayes to 233 noes, Roll No. 156); **Pages 9708, 9726**

The Waxman amendment that sought to permit points of order against provisions that prohibit or make less stringent any mandate established to protect human health, safety, or the environment (rejected by a recorded vote of 190 ayes to 221 noes, Roll No. 157); **Pages 9714, 9727**

The Boehlert amendment that sought to exclude points of order against amendments with respect to an increase in the direct costs of Federal private sector mandates (rejected by a recorded vote of 189 ayes to 223 noes, Roll No. 158); and **Pages 9721, 9728**

The Becerra amendment that sought to permit points of order against provisions that prohibit or make less stringent any mandate established to protect civil rights (rejected by a recorded vote of 180 ayes to 231 noes, Roll No. 159). **Pages 9725, 9729**

The House agreed to H. Res. 426, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill on May 13.

Motion to Instruct Conferees: Representative Obey notified the House of his intention to offer a motion on Wednesday, May 20, to instruct House conferees on H.R. 2400, Building Efficient Surface Transportation and Equity Act. **Page 9742**

DOD Authorization: The House completed general debate on H.R. 3616, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1999. Consideration of amendments will begin on Wednesday, May 20. **Page 9746**

H. Res. 435, the rule providing for general debate only on the bill was agreed to earlier by a voice vote. **Page 9742**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 9643.

Referral: S. 1723, to amend the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 to make the restrictions on foreign students added by such Act inapplicable to students lawfully present in the United States on the effective date of the restrictions in cases where a public school or adult education program evidences a desire for such result was referred to the Committees on the Judiciary, Education and the Workforce, and International Relations. **Page 9762**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea and nay votes and six recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 9727, 9728, 9729, 9730, 9731, 9739, 9740, 9741, and 9742. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 11:19 p.m.

Committee Meetings

SECURITIES LITIGATION UNIFORM STANDARDS ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials held a hearing on H.R. 1689, Securities Litigation Uniform Standards Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Representatives Campbell and Eshoo; the following officials of the SEC: Arthur Levitt, Jr., Chairman; and Richard Walker, Director of Enforcement; the following officials of the Securities Regulation Division, Department of Corporations, State of California: Blake Campbell, Assistant Commissioner; and A. Peter Kezirian, Jr., General Counsel; and public witnesses.

COMMERCIAL SOFTWARE—SAVINGS THROUGH IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Medicare Billing: Savings Through Implementation of Commercial Software. Testimony was heard from Senator Grassley; Joel Willemssen, Director, Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO; Adm. Tom Carrato, USN, Director, Military Health System Operations, Department of Defense; Michael W. Hartford, Director, Health Administration Center, Department of Veterans Affairs; and Nancy-Ann Min DeParle, Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services.

TEAMSTERS' ELECTION—WHO PAYS FOR THE RERUN

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on "Who Pays for the Rerun Teamsters' Election?" Testimony was heard from Stephen R. Colgate, Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice; Gary L. Kepplinger, Associate General Counsel, Accounting and Financial Management, GAO; and Tom Sever, Secretary-Treasurer, International Brotherhood of Teamsters.

PROTECTING HEALTH INFORMATION

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held a hearing on protecting Health Information: Legislative Options. Testimony was heard Representative Shays; and public witnesses.

KYOTO PROTOCOL

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs continued hearings on "The Kyoto Protocol: Is the Clinton-Gore Administration Selling Out Americans? Part II." Testimony was heard from Janet L. Yellen, Chair, Council of Economic Advisers; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

OVERSIGHT—AIRLINE INDUSTRY—STATE OF COMPETITION

Committee on the Judiciary: Held an oversight hearing on the State of Competition in the Airline Industry. Testimony was heard from Joel Klein, Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice; Nancy McFadden, General Counsel, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2291, to amend the Fish and Wildlife Improvement Act of 1978 to enable the Secretary of the Interior to more effectively utilize the proceeds of sales of certain items; H.R. 3460, to approve a governing international fishery agreement between the United States and the Republic of Latvia; H.R. 3461, to approve a governing international fishery agreement between the United States and the Republic of Poland; and H.R. 3647, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make technical corrections to a map relating to the Coastal Barrier Resources System. Testimony was heard from Representatives Skaggs and Deutsch; Gary Taylor, Acting Assistant Director, External Affairs, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; Brian Hallman, Deputy Director, Office of Marine Conservation, Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs, Department of State; David Evans, Deputy Director, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

UTAH SCHOOLS AND LANDS EXCHANGE ACT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands held a hearing on H.R. 3830, Utah Schools and Lands Exchange Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Representative Cook; Bruce Babbitt, Secretary of the Interior; Michael Leavitt, Governor of Utah; and public witnesses.

FALL RIVER WATER USERS DISTRICT WATER SYSTEM ACT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on H.R. 1212, Fall River Water Users District Rural Water System Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from David Cottingham, Counselor to the Assistant Secretary, Water and Science, Department of the Interior; Douglas Hofer, Director, Department of Game, Fish and Parks, Division of Parks and Recreation, State of South Dakota; and a public witness.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a structured rule on H.R. 3616, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1998, providing that no further general debate shall be in order. The rule provides for consideration of the committee amendment in the nature of a

substitute now printed in the bill as an original bill for amendment purposes, which shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the report of the Committee on Rules and the amendments en bloc described in section 3 of the resolution. The rule provides that except as specified in section 5 of the resolution, amendments will be considered only in the order specified in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question. Except as otherwise provided in the report, amendments shall be debatable for 10 minutes equally divided between a proponent and an opponent. Amendments are not amendable (except that the Chairman and ranking minority member of the National Security Committee each may offer one pro forma amendment for the purpose of further debate on any pending amendment). The rule waives all points of order against amendments printed in the report and those amendments en bloc described in section 3 of the resolution. The rule provides for an additional 2 hours of general debate on U.S. policy toward China, equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on National Security, which shall precede consideration of the amendments in part A of the Rules Committee report. The rule provides for an additional 30 minutes of general debate on the subject of assigning members of the armed forces to assist in border control, divided equally between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on National Security, which precede the amendments printed in part C of the report. The rule authorizes the Chairman of the National Security Committee or his designee to offer amendments en bloc consisting of the amendments in part D of the report or germane modifications thereto, which shall be considered as read (except that modifications shall be reported), shall be debatable for 20 minutes divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on National Security or their designees and which shall not be subject to amendment or a demand for a division of the question. The rule provides that, for the purposes of inclusion in such amendments en bloc, an amendment printed in the form of a motion to strike may be modified to the form of a germane perfecting amendment to the text originally proposed to be stricken. The original proponent of an amendment included in such amendments en bloc may insert a statement in the Congressional Record immediately before the dispositions of the en bloc amendments. The rule permits the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes on any amendment and to reduce to 5 minutes the time for voting after the first of a series of votes provided that the first vote is not less than 15 minutes. The rule also permits the chairman of the Committee of the Whole to recognize for consider-

ation of any amendment printed in the report out of order in which printed, but not sooner than one hour after the Chairman of the National Security Committee or a designee announces from the floor a request to that effect. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Spence and Representatives Weldon of Pennsylvania, Hefley, Saxton, Fowler, Watts of Oklahoma, Thornberry, Gibbons, McCollum, Smith of New Jersey, Doolittle, Bonilla, Campbell, Wamp, Snowbarger, Graham, Skelton, Sisisky, Spratt, Evans, Taylor of Mississippi, Abercrombie, Reyes, Markey, Frank of Massachusetts, Traficant, Pallone, Lowey, Engel, Moran of Virginia, Norton, Sanders, Cramer, Bishop, Maloney of New York, Bentsen, and Etheridge.

COAST GUARD DEEPWATER CAPABILITY REPLACEMENT ANALYSIS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing on Coast Guard Deepwater Capability Replacement Analysis. Testimony was heard from Adm. Robert Kramek, USCG, Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing on Child Support Enforcement. Testimony was heard from Donna Bonar, Director, Program Operations Division, Office of Child Support Enforcement, Department of Health and Human Services; Jeffrey Cohen, Director, Office of Child Support, State of Vermont; Diane Fray, IV-D Administrator, Department of Social Services, Child Support Program, State of Connecticut; Alisha Griffin, Acting Assistant Director, Division of Family Development, State of New Jersey; Jacqueline M. Jennings, Manager, Office of Child Support Enforcement, Department of Human Resources, State of Georgia; and public witnesses.

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Wednesday, May 20, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 9793–9893

Measures Introduced: Eleven bills were introduced, as follows: 2094–2104. **Page 9863**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. Con. Res. 30, expressing the sense of the Congress that the Republic of China should be admitted to multilateral economic institutions, including the International

Monetary Fund and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development. **Page 9862**

Universal Tobacco Settlement Act: Senate continued consideration of S. 1415, to reform and restructure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 2420), taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 9793, 9892**

Rejected:

Kennedy/Lautenberg Amendment No. 2422 (to Amendment No. 2420), to modify those provisions relating to revenues from payments made by participating tobacco companies. (By 58 yeas to 30 nays, one responding present (Vote No. 144), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Page 9793**

Ashcroft Modified Amendment No. 2427 (to Amendment No. 2422), to strike those provisions relating to consumer taxes. (By 72 yeas to 26 nays, one responding present (Vote No. 143), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Page 9795**

Pending:

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2433 (to Amendment No. 2420), to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers. **Page 9837**

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2434 (to Amendment No. 2420), in the nature of a substitute. **Page 9838**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill and the amendments pending thereto on Thursday, May 21, 1998.

Child Support Performance and Incentive Act: Senate insisted on its amendments to H.R. 3130, to provide for an alternative penalty procedure for States that fail to meet Federal child support data processing requirements, to reform Federal incentive payments for effective child support performance, and to provide for a more flexible penalty procedure for States that violate interjurisdictional adoption requirements, agreed to the request of the House for a conference thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees: from the Committee on Finance: Senators Roth, Chafee, Grassley, Moynihan, and Baucus; and from the Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Senators Jeffords, Coats, and Kennedy. **Page 9891**

Message From the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report of disapproval of the District of Columbia Student Opportunity Scholarship Act of 1998 (S. 1502). (PM-128) **Page 9862**

Messages From the President: **Page 9862**

Messages From the House: **Page 9862**

Measures Referred: **Page 9862**

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Additional Statements:	Page 9887
Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—144)	Pages 9832, 9834

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 8:25 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, May 21, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 9891.)

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense, focusing on Army programs, after receiving testimony from Robert M. Walker, Acting Secretary of the Army; and Gen. Dennis J. Reimer, Chief of Army Staff.

OSTEOPOROSIS PREVENTION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies concluded hearings to examine issues relating to the funding of osteoporosis prevention, education, and research, after receiving testimony from Representative Morella; Stephen I. Katz, Director, National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services; Judy A. Black, National Osteoporosis Foundation, Washington, D.C.; Dominic DiMaggio, The Paget Foundation, New York, New York; Susan Burdick, Cambridge Springs, Pennsylvania; and Frederick R. Singer, Santa Monica, California.

HARMFUL ALGAL BLOOMS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Oceans and Fisheries concluded hearings to examine the scope of harmful algal blooms, including pfiesteria, red tide, brown tide, and paralytic shellfish poisoning, including hypoxia, a condition related to harmful algal blooms, that has created a massive "dead zone" in the Gulf of Mexico, and S. 1480, to authorize funds for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to conduct research, monitoring, education and management activities for the eradication and control of harmful algal blooms, including blooms of Pfiesteria piscicida and other aquatic toxins, after receiving testimony from Terry D. Garcia, Assistant Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere, and Donald Scavia, Senior Scientist, both of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce; Suzanne E. Schwartz, Acting Director, Oceans and Coastal Protection

Division, Environmental Protection Agency; Donald Anderson, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, Woods Hole, Massachusetts; L. Donelson Wright, College of William and Mary School of Marine Science/Virginia Institute of Marine Science, Gloucester Point, Virginia; Nancy N. Rabalais, Louisiana Universities Marine Consortium, Chauvin; JoAnn M. Burkholder, North Carolina State University, Raleigh; and Michael Voisin, Motivati Seafoods, Inc., Houma, Louisiana, on behalf of the National Fisheries Institute and the National Marine Manufacturers Association.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the following measures:

S. 1275, to implement further the Act (Public Law 94-241) approving the Covenant to Establish a Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in Political Union with the United States of America, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 1693, to renew, reform, reinvigorate, and protect the National Park System, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

Also, committee began consideration of S. 624, to establish a competitive process for the awarding of concession contracts in units of the National Park System, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

RUSSIAN POLICY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on European Affairs concluded hearings to examine Russian and domestic policy issues and United States policy toward Russia, after receiving testimony from Stephen Sestanovich, Special Advisor to the Secretary of State for the New Independent States; Peter Reddaway, George Washington University, and Leon Aron, American Enterprise Institute, both of Washington, D.C.; Lauren B. Homer, Law and Liberty Trust, Vienna, Virginia; and Scott M. Blacklin, American Chamber of Commerce, Moscow, Russia.

UNITED NATIONS BUDGET

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations concluded hearings to examine the certification made by the Acting Secretary of State on May 4 regarding the budget of the United Nations, after receiving testimony from Princeton N. Lyman, Assistant Secretary of State for International Organization Affairs.

CHILD CUSTODY PROTECTION

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1645, to prohibit taking minors across State lines to avoid laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions, after receiving testimony from Representative Ros-Lehtinen; Pennsylvania Attorney General D. Michael Fisher, Harrisburg; Eileen Roberts, Mothers

Against Minors' Abortions, Fredricksburg, Virginia; Renee Jenkins, Howard University College of Medicine, Washington, on behalf of the Society for Adolescent Medicine Advocates for Youth; D.C.; John C. Harrison, University of Virginia, Charlottesville; Joyce Farley, Dushore, Pennsylvania; and Bill Bell, Zionsville, Indiana.

IDENTITY FRAUD

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information concluded hearings on S. 512, to amend the Federal criminal code to provide penalties against any person who knowingly, and with intent to deceive or defraud, obtains, uses, or attempts to obtain or use one or more means of identification other than that lawfully issued to such person, authorizes the U.S. Secret Service to investigate such offenses, directs the U.S. Sentencing Commission to provide sentencing enhancements in connection with such offenses in relation to the number of victims involved, and provides forfeiture and restitution requirements with respect to such offense, after receiving testimony from James Bauer, Deputy Assistant Director, Office of Investigations, United States Secret Service, Department of the Treasury; David Medine, Associate Director for Credit Practices, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission; Robert Hartle, Phoenix, Arizona; and Mari J. Frank, Laguna Niguel, California.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 2069, to permit the leasing of mineral rights, in any case in which the Indian owners of an allotment that is located within the boundaries of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation in North Dakota and held in trust by the United States have executed leases to more than 50 percent of the mineral estate of that allotment, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

Also, committee began markup of S. 1691, to provide for Indian legal reform, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Special Committee on the Year 2000 Technology Problem: Committee met and adopted its rules of procedure.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 20 public bills, H.R. 3904–3923; and 1 private bill, H.R. 3924, were introduced. **Page 10031**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 442, providing for consideration of H.J. Res. 119, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the

United States to limit campaign spending, and for consideration of H.R. 2183, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to reform the financing of campaigns for elections for Federal office (H. Rept. 105–545).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Shaw to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, the Rev. Scott Rambo of Sugar Land, Texas.

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DOD Authorization: The House began consideration of amendments to H.R. 3616, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1999. The House completed general debate on May 19. Further consideration of the bill will resume on Thursday, May 21.

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Agreed To:

The Spence amendment that expresses the sense of Congress that U.S. business interests must not be placed above U.S. national security interests and that the United States should not enter into new agreements with the People's Republic of China (PRC) involving space or missile-related technology or increase the number of military-to-military contacts; that the executive branch should ensure that U.S. law regarding the export of satellites to the PRC is enforced and the relevant criminal investigation proceeds with all due dispatch; and that the President should indefinitely suspend the export of satellites of U.S. origin to China (agreed to by a recorded vote of 417 ayes to 4 noes, Roll No. 167);

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The Bereuter amendment that prohibits any United States participation in the investigation of a Peoples Republic of China launch failure of a satellite of U.S. origin (agreed to by a recorded vote of 414 ayes to 7 noes, Roll No. 168);

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The Hefley amendment that prohibits the export of missile equipment or missile related technology to China (agreed to by a recorded vote of 412 ayes to 6 noes, Roll No. 169);

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The Hunter amendment that prohibits the export and reexport of satellites, including commercial satellites and satellite components, of U.S. origin to the People's Republic of China (agreed to by a recorded vote of 364 ayes to 54 noes, Roll No. 170);

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The Gilman amendment that prohibits any procurement, training, or operation and maintenance restrictions on U.S. Armed Forces under the Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (agreed to by a recorded vote of 420 ayes with none voting "no" and 1 voting "present", Roll No. 172); and

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The Hefley amendment that prohibits DOD funding to assign or detail any member of the Armed Forces for

duty with the United Nations Rapidly Deployable Mission Headquarters, or any similar U.N. military operations headquarters (agreed to by a recorded vote of 250 ayes to 172 noes, Roll No. 173). **Pages 9983, 9989**

Rejected:

The Lowey amendment that sought to repeal provisions of current law that prohibit privately funded abortions for female members of the armed forces and dependents at DOD facilities overseas (rejected by a recorded vote of 190 ayes to 232 noes, Roll No. 171). **Pages 9974, 9988**

H. Res. 441, the rule that is providing for the further consideration on the bill, was agreed to earlier by a recorded vote of 304 ayes to 108 noes, Roll No. 166. Agreed to order the previous question by ye and nay vote of 281 yeas to 134 nays, Roll No. 165. **Page 9898**

Earlier, agreed by unanimous consent, that the Taylor of Mississippi and Everett amendments shall be deemed to have been included as the last amendments printed in part D of H. Rept. 105-544, the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying the rule. **Page 9903**

BESTEAS—Motion to Instruct Conferees: Agreed to the Obey motion to instruct House conferees on H.R. 2400, Building Efficient Surface Transportation and Equity Act, to insist that no provisions to prohibit or reduce service-connected disability compensation to veterans for smoking-related illnesses be included in the conference report on H.R. 2400 to offset spending for highway or transit programs by ye and nay vote of 422 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 174. **Page 9991**

BESTEAS—Motions to Instruct Conferees: Representative Minge and Representative Obey notified the House of their intention to offer motions on Thursday, May 21, to instruct House conferees on H.R. 2400, Building Efficient Surface Transportation and Equity Act.

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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 9894.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 10033.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two ye and nay votes and eight recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 9907, 9908, 9971, 9972, 9973, 9974, 9988, 9989, 9990, and 9996. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 10:06 p.m.

Committee Meetings

PLANT PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Department Operations, Nutrition, and Foreign Agriculture held a hearing on H.R. 3766, Plant Protection Act. Testimony was heard from Craig Reed, Acting Administrator, Ani-

mal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

HAZARD ANALYSIS AND CRITICAL CONTROL POINT REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry held a hearing on the implementation of Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP) regulatory requirements. Testimony was heard from Thomas Billy, Administrator, Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA.

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on Nobel Laureate. Testimony was heard from the following past recipients of the Nobel Prize: Stanley Prusiner; Peter Doherty; David Baltimore; Joshua Lederberg; Alfred Gilman; and Steven Chu.

BUDGET RESOLUTION

Committee on the Budget: Ordered reported the concurrent Budget Resolution for Fiscal year 1999.

BIOMETRICS AND THE FUTURE OF MONEY

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy held a hearing on Biometrics and the Future of Money. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ENERGY DEPARTMENT NUCLEAR FACILITIES—EXTERNAL REGULATION

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing on External Regulation of Department of Energy Nuclear Facilities. Testimony was heard from Elizabeth Moler, Deputy Secretary, Department of Energy; and the following officials of the NRC: Shirley Ann Jackson, Chairman; Greta Joy Dicus, Nils J. Diaz and Edward McGaffigan, Jr., all Commissioners.

AUTO CHOICE REFORM ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials held a hearing on H.R. 2021, Auto Choice Reform Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Senator McConnell; Representatives Armev and Moran of Virginia; and public witnesses.

AMERICAN WORKER PROJECT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations continued hearings on American Worker Project: Innovative Workplaces for the Future. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

KYOTO PROTOCOL

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs continued hearings on

"The Kyoto Protocol: Is the Clinton-Gore Administration Selling Out Americans? Part III". Testimony was heard from Cecil Underwood, Governor, State of West Virginia; Scott Orr, Representative, State of Montana; and Daniel Canan, Mayor, Muncie, State of Indiana.

SIX INFECTIOUS DISEASES—ERADICATION AND ELIMINATION

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on Eradication and Elimination of Six Infectious Diseases. Testimony was heard from Ben Nelson, Director, International Relations and Trade, National Security and International Affairs Division, GAO; Claire Broome, M.D., Acting Director, Centers for Disease Control, Department of Health and Human Services; Nils Daulaire, Senior Health Advisor, AID, U.S. International Development Cooperation Agency; David L. Heymann, Director, Division of Emerging and Other Communicable Diseases, Surveillance and Control, World Health Organization; and public witnesses.

AFRICA—ANTI-CORRUPTION EFFORTS

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Africa held a hearing on Anti-Corruption Efforts in Africa. Testimony was heard from Carol Peasley, Acting Administrator, Africa, AID, U.S. International Development Cooperation Agency; and public witnesses.

U.S.-TAIWAN RELATIONS

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific held a hearing on U.S.-Taiwan Relations. Testimony was heard from Susan Shirk, Deputy Assistant Secretary, East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State; Kurt Campbell, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 3736, amended, Workforce Improvement and Protection Act of 1998; and H.R. 3633, Controlled Substances Trafficking Prohibition Act.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; COMMITTEE REPORT—BLM MINING REGULATIONS

Committee on Resources: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 1154, amended, Indian Federal Recognition Administrative Procedures Act of 1997; H.R. 1635, amended, National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom Act of 1997; H.R. 1865, Spanish Peaks Wilderness Act of 1997; H.R. 2411, amended, to provide for a land exchange involving the Cape Cod National Seashore and to extend the authority for the Cape Cod National Seashore Advisory Commission; H.R. 2538, amended, Guadalupe-Hidalgo Treaty Land Claims Act of 1997; H.R. 2742, amended, California Indian Land Transfer Act; H.R. 2795, amended, Irrigation Project

Contract Extension Act of 1997; H.R. 2812, Unrecognized Southeast Alaska Native Communities Recognition Act; H.R. 3267, amended, Sonny Bono Memorial Salton Sea Reclamation Act; H.R. 3520, to adjust the boundaries of the Lake Chelan National Recreation Area and the adjacent Wenatchee National Forest in the State of Washington; H.R. 3796, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey the administrative site for the Rogue River National Forest and use the proceeds for the construction or improvement of offices and support buildings for the Rogue River National Forest and the Bureau of Land Management; and H.R. 3797, Wyandotte Tribe Settlement Act of 1998.

The Committee also approved a Committee Report on Mining Regulations promulgated by the Bureau of Land Management.

BIPARTISAN CAMPAIGN INTEGRITY ACT—CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO LIMIT CAMPAIGN SPENDING

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing for consideration of H.J. Res. 119, Constitutional Amendment to Limit Campaign Spending, with one hour of general debate equally divided between Representative DeLay and a Member in favor of the joint resolution. The rule provides that the joint resolution shall be considered as read. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows for the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule also provides for consideration of H.R. 2183, Bipartisan Campaign Integrity Act of 1997, under a modified open amending process any time after adoption of the rule. The rule provides two hours of general debate, equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on House Oversight. The rule provides for consideration of the amendments in the nature of a substitute specified in the Rules Committee report accompanying this resolution. The rule provides that each amendment in the nature of a substitute may be offered only in the order specified, may be offered only by the Member who caused it to be printed in the Congressional Record or his designee, shall be considered as read, and shall not be subject to a substitute amendment or to a perfecting amendment carrying a tax or tariff measure. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments in the nature of a substitute. The rule provides one hour of general debate at the beginning of consideration of each of the amendments in the nature of a substitute, which shall be equally divided and controlled by the Member who caused it to be printed in the Congressional Record or his designee

and an opponent. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments to the amendments in the nature of a substitute in the Congressional Record. The rule provides that if more than one amendment in the nature of a substitute is adopted, then only the one receiving the greater number of affirmative votes shall be considered as finally adopted and reported to the House. The rule allows for the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides for one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Thomas and Representatives DeLay, Shays, Fawell, Goodlatte, Horn, Smith of Michigan, Bass, Campbell, Fossella, Hutchinson, Snowbarger, Gejdenson, Obey, Stenholm, Kaptur, Traficant, Slaughter, Maloney of New York, Meehan, Farr, Allen and Capps.

OVERSIGHT—EPA'S RULE ON PAINTS AND COATINGS

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held an oversight hearing on EPA's Rule on Paints and Coatings: Has EPA met the Research Requirements of the Clean Air Act? Testimony was heard from Robert Brenner, Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Air and Radiation, EPA; and public witnesses.

SBA'S PROGRAMS TO ASSIST VETERANS

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Government Programs and Oversight and the Subcommittee on Benefits of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs held a joint hearing on the SBA's Programs to Assist Veterans. Testimony was heard from Clifton Toulson, Jr., Assistant Administrator, Veterans Affairs, SBA; and public witnesses.

FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Railroads held a hearing on Federal Railroad Administration Reauthorization: Regulatory Process. Testimony was heard from Donald M. Itzkoff, Deputy Administrator, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation; Phyllis F. Scheinberg, Associate Director, Transportation Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, GAO; and public witnesses.

DISASTER MITIGATION ACT; SMALL WATERSHED PROJECTS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3869, Disaster Mitigation Act of 1998.

The Subcommittee also approved for full Committee action 2 Natural Resources Conservation Service Small Watershed Projects.

WHISTLEBLOWER

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Whistleblower. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

U.S. INTELLIGENCE OPERATIONS

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded hearings to examine the current state of intelligence operations in the United States, focusing on Russian radio frequency technology, Russia's offensive biological weapons program, and Chinese intelligence operations, after receiving testimony from Victor I. Sheymov, ComShield Corporation, Washington, D.C., former KGB Eighth Chief Directorate; Kenneth Alibek, Arlington, Virginia, former First Deputy of the Soviet Union's Offensive Biological Warfare Program; Nicholas Eftimiades, Chinese Intelligence Operations, Silver Spring, Maryland; and Brian Fairchild, Brian P. Fairchild and Associates, Seattle, Washington, former Staff Operations Officer, Central Intelligence Agency's Directorate of Operations.

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Thursday, May 21, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Seven bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2105–2111, S. Res. 233–234, and S. Con. Res. 98. **Page 10137**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 1151, to amend the Federal Credit Union Act to clarify existing law and ratify the longstanding policy of the National Credit Union Administration Board with regard to field of membership of Federal credit unions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–193)

H.R. 824, to redesignate the Federal building located at 717 Madison Place, NW., in the District of Columbia, as the "Howard T. Markey National Courts Building".

S. 1298, to designate a Federal building located in Florence, Alabama, as the "Justice John McKinley Federal Building".

S. 1355, to designate the United States courthouse located in New Haven, Connecticut, as the "Richard C. Lee United States Courthouse".

S. 1800, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 85 Marconi Boulevard in Columbus, Ohio, as the "Joseph P. Kinneary United States Courthouse".

S. 1892, to provide that a person closely related to a judge of a court exercising judicial power under article III of the United States Constitution (other than the Supreme Court) may not be appointed as a judge of the same court, and for other purposes.

S. 1898, to designate the Federal building located at 1301 Clay Street in Oakland, California, as the "Ronald V. Dellums Federal Building".

S. 2022, to provide for the improvement of interstate criminal justice identification, information, communications, and forensics, with an amendment.

S. 2032, to designate the Federal building in Juneau, Alaska, as the "Hurff A. Saunders Federal Building".

S. 2073, to authorize appropriations for the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, with an amendment.

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Measures Passed:

Congressional Adjournment: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 98, providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and House of Representatives.

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National Emergency Medical Services Memorial Service: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 171, declaring the memorial service sponsored by the National Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Memorial Service Board of Directors to honor emergency medical services personnel to be the "National Emergency Medical Services Memorial Service".

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U.S. Agriculture Import Restrictions: Committee on Finance was discharged from consideration of S. Con. Res. 73, expressing the sense of Congress that the European Union is unfairly restricting the importation of United States agriculture products and the elimination of such restrictions should be a top priority in trade negotiations with the European Union, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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Restitution Subsidies Waiver: Committee on Finance was discharged from consideration of S. Res. 232, to express the sense of the Senate that the European Union should waive the penalty for failure to use restitution subsidies for barley to the United States and ensure that restitution or other subsidies are not used for similar sales in the United States and that the President, the United States Trade Representative, and the Secretary of Agriculture should conduct an investigation of and report on the sale and subsidies, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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Testimony and Document Production Authorization: Senate agreed to S. Res. 233, to authorize testimony and document production and representation of Senate employees in *People v. James Eugene Arenas*.

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Honoring Stuart Balderson: Senate agreed to S. Res. 234, to honor Stuart Balderson.

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Universal Tobacco Settlement Act: Senate continued consideration of S. 1415, to reform and restructure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 2420), taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Pending:

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2433 (to Amendment No. 2420), to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers. (By 37 yeas to 61 nays, two responding present (Vote No. 145), Senate failed to table the amendment.)

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Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2434 (to Amendment No. 2420), in the nature of a substitute. (The amendment fell when Amendment No. 2433, listed above, was tabled.)

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Gramm Motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Finance with instructions to report back forthwith, with Amendment No. 2436, to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers, and to eliminate the marriage penalty reflected in the standard deduction and to ensure the earned income credit takes into account the elimination of such penalty.

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Daschle (for Durbin) Amendment No. 2437 (to Amendment No. 2436), relating to reductions in underaged tobacco usage.

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Daschle (for Durbin) Amendment No. 2438 (to Amendment No. 2437), of a perfecting nature.

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Iran Missile Proliferation Sanctions Act: Pursuant to the order of April 3, 1998, Senate will consider H.R. 2709, to impose certain sanctions on foreign persons who transfer items contributing to Iran's efforts to acquire, develop, or produce ballistic missiles, on Friday, May 22, 1998.

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Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaty:

Protocol to Extradition Treaty with Mexico (Treaty Doc. 105-46).

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and was ordered to be printed.

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Messages from the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, a report concerning the ratification of the Protocols to the North Atlantic Treaty of 1949 on the accession of Poland, Hungary, and the Czech Republic; to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM-129).

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Transmitting a report concerning the ratification of the Protocols to the North Atlantic Treaty of 1949 on the accession of Poland, Hungary, and the Czech Republic; to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM-130).

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Transmitting a report concerning the ratification of the Protocols to the North Atlantic Treaty of 1949 on the accession of Poland, Hungary, and the Czech Republic; to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM-131).

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Transmitting the report of the National Endowment for the Humanities for calendar year 1997; referred to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources. (PM-132).

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Fred P. Hochberg, of New York, to be Deputy Administrator of the Small Business Administration.

Jeanne Hurley Simon, of Illinois, to be a Member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science for a term expiring July 19, 2002.

David R. Oliver, of Idaho, to be Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology.

William James Ivey, of Tennessee, to be Chairperson of the National Endowment for the Arts for a term of four years.

Robert H. Beatty, Jr., of West Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission for a term expiring August 30, 2004.

Thomas Ehrlich, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term of five years.

Dorothy A. Johnson, of Michigan, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term of five years.

William Joseph Burns, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan.

Ryan Clark Crocker, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Syrian Arab Republic.

Routine lists in the Foreign Service.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Richard M. Berman, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York.

Donovan W. Frank, of Minnesota, to be United States District Judge for the District of Minnesota.

Colleen McMahon, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York.

William H. Pauley III, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York.

Michael S. Dukakis, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Reform Board (AMTRAK) for a term of five years.

Sylvia de Leon, of Texas, to be a Member of the Reform Board (AMTRAK) for a term of five years.

Linwood Holton, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Reform Board (AMTRAK) for a term of five years.

Amy M. Rosen, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Reform Board (AMTRAK) for a term of five years.

John Robert Smith, of Mississippi, to be a Member of the Reform Board (AMTRAK) for a term of five years. (New Position)

Tommy G. Thompson, of Wisconsin, to be a Member of the Reform Board (AMTRAK) for a term of five years. (New Position)

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Messages From the President:

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total-145)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 8:10 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, May 22, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 10174.)

Committee Meetings

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported 1,086 military nominations in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force.

ALTERNATIVE AND RENEWABLE FUELS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy Research, Development, Production and Regulation concluded hearings on the following bills:

S. 1141, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 1992 to take into account newly developed renewable energy-based fuels and to equalize alternative fuel vehicle acquisition incentives to increase the flexibility of controlled fleet owners and operators, after receiving testimony from Thomas J. Gross, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Energy/

Office of Transportation Technologies, Energy Efficiency, and Renewable Energy; Mark Berg, Tripp, South Dakota, on behalf of the American Soybean Association; Gilbert P. Sperling, Natural Gas Vehicle Coalition, Rockville, Maryland; Joe Anderson, Potlatch, Idaho, on behalf of the U.S. Canola Association; Christopher D. Amos, City of St. Louis Board of Public Service/Equipment Services Division, St. Louis, Missouri; and Russell T. Teall, Biodiesel Development Corporation, Marathon Key, Florida; and

S. 1418, to promote the research, identification, assessment, exploration, and development of methane hydrate resources, after receiving testimony from Robert Kripowicz, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Energy/Office of Fossil Energy; Timothy S. Collett, Research Geologist, United States Geological Survey, Department of the Interior; Charles K. Paull, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill; and Arthur H. Johnson, Chevron USA Production Company, New Orleans, Louisiana, on behalf of Chevron, Natural Gas Supply Association, and the National Ocean Industries Association.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported the following measures:

S. 1677, to authorize funds through fiscal year 2003 for the North American Wetlands Conservation Act and the Partnerships for Wildlife Act;

S. 2095, to amend and authorize funds through fiscal year 2003 for the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act, with an amendment;

S. 627, to authorize funds for fiscal years 1997 through 2002 for the African Elephant Conservation Act;

H.R. 39, to authorize funds for fiscal years 1997 through 2002 for the African Elephant Conservation Act;

S. 1104, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make corrections in maps relating to the Coastal Barrier Resources System;

S. 2038, to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize funds through fiscal year 2009 for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and to further define the criteria for capital repair and operation and maintenance, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 824, to redesignate the Federal building located at 717 Madison Place, NW., in the District of Columbia, as the "Howard T. Markey National Courts Building";

S. 1800, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 85 Marconi Boulevard in Columbus, Ohio, as the "Joseph P. Kinneary United States Courthouse";

S. 1898, to designate the Federal building located at 1301 Clay Street in Oakland, California, as the "Ronald V. Dellums Federal Building";

S. 1355, to designate the United States courthouse located in New Haven, Connecticut, as the "Richard C. Lee United States Courthouse";

S. 1298, to designate a Federal building located in Florence, Alabama, as the "Justice John McKinley Federal Building";

S. 2032, to designate the Federal building in Juneau, Alaska, as the "Hurff A. Saunders Federal Building";

S. 2090, to extend the authority of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to collect fees through 2003;

S. 1531, to deauthorize certain portions of the project for navigation, Bass Harbor, Maine; and

S. 1532, to amend the Water Resources Development Act of 1996 to deauthorize the remainder of the project at East Boothbay Harbor, Maine.

IRAQ

Committee on Foreign Relations/Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committees concluded joint hearings to examine the future and effectiveness of United States policy and sanctions toward Iraq, after receiving testimony from Thomas R. Pickering, Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs; Richard N. Perle, former Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security; David A. Kay, Science Applications International Corp, McLean, Virginia, former UNSCOM Nuclear Inspector; and Kenneth M. Pollack, Washington Institute for Near East Policy, Washington, D.C.

NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Jeffrey Davidow, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Mexico, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

FOREIGN ICBM AND SATELLITE PROGRAMS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services held hearings to examine how a foreign country's satellite and Intercontinental Ballistic Missiles (ICBM) programs could benefit from launching United States commercial satellites, and whether the administration's export control policy is adequate to prevent technology transfers that endanger America, focusing on the evolution of U.S. commercial satellite export policies and whether military benefits are derived by China when it launches U.S.-built satellites, receiving testimony from William R. Graham, National Security Research, Inc., Arlington, Virginia; and John Pike, Federation of American Scientists, and William Schneider, Jr., Hudson Institute, both of Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nominations of William A. Fletcher, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Rosemary S. Pooler and Robert D. Sack, both of New York, each to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sec-

ond Circuit, Victoria A. Roberts, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan, Richard W. Roberts, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, Ronnie L. White, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri, and Q. Todd Dickinson, of Pennsylvania, to be Deputy Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Department of Commerce;

S. 1892, to provide that a person closely related to a judge of a court exercising judicial power under article III of the United States Constitution (other than the Supreme Court) may not be appointed as a judge of the same court;

S. 1301, to amend title 11, United States Code, to provide for consumer bankruptcy protection, with amendments;

S. 2022, to provide for the improvement of interstate criminal justice identification, information, communications, and forensics, with an amendment; and

S. 2073, to authorize appropriations for the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, with an amendment.

GENETIC INFORMATION AND HEALTH CARE

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee concluded hearings on proposals to prohibit health care discrimination based on genetic information, including related measures S. 89 and S. 422, after receiving testimony from Senators Domenici and Snowe; Francis S. Collins, Director, National Human Genome Research Institute, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services; Colorado Commissioner of Insurance Jack Ehnes, Denver, on behalf of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners; Christine Brunswick, National Breast Cancer Coalition, and Mary Nell Lehnhard, BlueCross BlueShield Association, both of Washington, D.C.; Judith L. Palkovitz, Hadassah, New York, New York; Jodi Klein Rucquoi, Yale University School of Medicine/Department of Genetics, New Haven, Connecticut; and Joanne Denise, Northwestern Mutual, Nashville, Tennessee, on behalf of the National Association of Health Underwriters.

INDIAN HEALTH CARE

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded oversight hearings to examine the state of Indian health and the availability of resources to meet their health care needs, after receiving testimony from David Satcher, Surgeon General of the United States and Assistant Secretary for Health, and Michael H. Trujillo, Assistant Surgeon General, and Director, Indian Health Service, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; Ralph Forquera, Seattle Indian Health Board, Seattle, Washington; Earl Old Person, Blackfeet Tribal Business Council, Browning, Montana; Julia A. Davis, Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board, Portland, Oregon; W. Ron Allen, National Congress of American Indians, Craig

Winkel, American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, Michael E. Bird, American Public Health Association, and Michael R. Sinclair, Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation, all of Washington, D.C.; Buford Rolin, National Indian Health Board, Denver, Colorado; Ray Begay, Association of American Indian Physicians, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; Ron Morton, San Diego American Indian Health Center, and Jane Dumas, both of San Diego, California, on behalf of the National Council of Urban Indian Health; Eugene DeLorme, University of North Dakota School of Medicine and Health Sciences, Grand Forks; Kathryn Manness, Feather River Indian Health Clinic, Oroville, California, on behalf of the National Indian Child Welfare Association; Ronald M. Rowell, National Native American AIDS Prevention Center, Oakland, California; Alvin Windy Boy, Montana-Wyoming Area Indian Health Board, Box Elder, on behalf of the Self-Governance Task Force; Bill Anoatubby, Chickasaw Nation, Ada, Oklahoma; Russell D. Mason, Sr., Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation of North Dakota, New Town; Mary V. Thomas, Gila River Indian Community, Sacaton, Arizona; Daniel Eddy, Jr., Colorado River Indian Tribes, Parker, Arizona; Sandra Ninham, Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, Oneida; Joseph C. Saulque, Advisory Council on California Indian Policy, Sacramento; Margaret Terrance, St. Regis Mohawk Tribe Health Services, Hogansburg, New York; Genevieve Jackson, Navajo Nation Council, Window Rock, Arizona; Joann Bodurtha, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, on behalf of the American Academy of Pediatrics; Murray D. Sykes, Silver Spring, Maryland, on behalf of the American Dental Association; Arthur McDonald, Morningstar Memorial Foundation, Lame Deer, Montana, on behalf of the American Psychological Association; Thurman Johnson, Shiprock, New Mexico; Gloria Harrison, Red Valley, Arizona; Jessie Rae Taken Alive, McLaughlin, South Dakota; and George Pickup, Kansas, Oklahoma.

NOMINATION

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Joan Avalyn Dempsey, of Virginia, to be Deputy Director of Central Intelligence for Community Management, after the nominee testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 18 public bills, H.R. 3925–3942; 2 private bills, H.R. 3943–3944; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 279–280, and H. Res. 443–444, 447, were introduced.

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 1690, to amend title 28 of the United States Code regarding enforcement of child custody orders (H. Rept. 105-546);

H. Res. 445, waiving a requirement of clause 4(b), rule XI with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 105-547); and

H. Res. 446, disposing of the conference report to accompany S. 1150, to ensure that federally funded agricultural research, extension, and education address high-priority concerns with national or multistate significance, to reform, extend, and eliminate certain agricultural research programs (H. Rept. 105-548). **Page 10294**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Bonilla to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 10175**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rabbi Moshe Bomzer of Albany, New York. **Page 10175**

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Wednesday, May 20 by ye and nay vote of 339 yeas to 58 nays with 2 voting "present", Roll No. 175. **Page 10175**

Member Sworn: Representative-elect Robert A. Brady presented himself in the well of the House and was administered the oath of office by the Speaker. **Page 10176**

President's Assertions of Executive Privilege: The House agreed to H. Res. 432, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives concerning the President's assertions of executive privilege by ye and nay vote of 259 yeas to 157 nays with 6 voting "present", Roll No. 176. **Page 10189**

Cooperation with Congressional Investigations: The House agreed to H. Res. 433, calling upon the President of the United States to urge full cooperation by his former political appointees and friends and their associates with congressional investigations by ye and nay vote of 342 yeas to 69 nays with 12 voting "present", Roll No. 177. **Page 10195**

H. Res. 436, the rule that provided for consideration of both H. Res. 432 and H. Res. 433 was agreed to earlier by a voice vote. **Page 10182**

Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

NATO Expansion: Message wherein he transmitted his certification that each of the governments of Poland, Hungary, and the Czech Republic are fully cooperating with U.S. efforts to obtain an accounting of captured and missing U.S. personnel from past military conflicts or Cold War incidents—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-256). **Page 10215**

National Endowment for the Humanities: Message wherein he transmitted the 32nd annual report of the National Endowment for the Humanities—referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce. **Page 10284**

DOD Authorization: The House passed H.R. 3616, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1999 by a recorded vote of 357 yeas to 60 noes, Roll No. 183. Agreed to amend the title. (The House completed general debate on May 19 and began consideration of amendments on May 20). **Page 10215**

Rejected the Frank of Massachusetts motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on National Security with instructions to report it back forthwith with an amendment that prohibits funding after December 31, 1998 for the deployment of U.S. Armed Forces to the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina unless a law has been enacted that explicitly authorizes the deployment by a recorded vote of 167 yeas to 251 noes, Roll No. 182. **Page 10263**

Agreed To:

The Spence en bloc amendment consisting of H. Rept. 105-544 Part D amendments numbered 1 through 18, 21 through 38 and an amendment deemed printed by an order of the House on May 20: that clarifies limits State authority to tax compensation paid to certain individuals performing service in Ft. Campbell, Kentucky; seeks to enhance outdoor recreation development on military installations for disabled veterans, military dependents with disabilities, and other persons with disabilities; within 6 months of enactment requires certification and description of the system used to recover from commercial carriers the costs incurred by the Department; revises the time for submitting the annual report relating to the Buy American Act from 90 days to 60 days; requires that all burial flags be wholly produced in the United States; transfers the title of the Youngstown Navy and Marine Corps Reserve facility to the city of Youngstown, Ohio; requires a DOD Inspector General investigation of actions relating to the 174th Fighter Wing of the New York Air National Guard; limits NATO expansion payments to \$2 billion or 10 percent of the total cost, whichever is less over the next thirteen years; requires that military physicians possess unrestricted licenses and establishes a mechanism for ensuring the completion of continuing medical education requirements; reduces the retirement pay for enlisted members who are reduced in grade before retirement; prohibits the use of tritium produced in facilities licensed under the Atomic Energy Act for nuclear explosive purposes; requires a proposal by November 1, 1998 to establish an appeals process in cases of ClaimCheck denials of claims for health care services submitted by civilian providers; requires, in conjunction with the National Academy of Sciences, a study on the technology base of the Department of Defense; encourages existing cooperative working relationships between the Air Force Flight

Test Center and the NASA Dryden Flight Research Center at Edwards Air Force Base and requires a joint report concerning the base alliance; makes the export of U.S. satellites subject to the licensing requirements established by the Arms Export Control Act; requires reports from the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency or State Department on arms control developments including information on the activities of various arms control treaty compliance forums; requires a schedule for implementation of best commercial inventory practices for the management of secondary supply items; requires the Secretary Of Commerce to release within 5 days to the CIA, DOD, or Energy Department any information relating to exports carried out with or without an export license; expresses the sense of Congress concerning the inability of members of the armed forces away from their main residence on active duty to exercise the capital gains relief for homeowners as provided in the 1997 Taxpayer Relief Act; adds Indigenous groups, such as the Hmong, Nung, Montagnard, Kahmer, HoaHao, and CaoDai combat forces, to the list of those who made contributions during the Vietnam conflict; protects funding for the two national launch ranges in California and Florida which support DOD and NASA space launch activities; expresses the sense of Congress regarding the establishment of a counter drug center in Panama; establishes an Office of River Protection and directs Hanford tank cleanup program reforms; allows a partnership arrangement to operate a hazardous materials management and emergency response training program; requires an annual report on private sector employees who provide services under contract for the Department of Defense; authorizes hardship duty pay on the basis of the nature of the duty rather than the location of the duty; expresses the sense of Congress concerning the New Parent Support Program and Military Families and requires a report on it; authorizes funding for the DOD portion of the Multi-Agency Next Generation Internet Program and specifies that it may only be authorized through the Defense authorization bill; establishes the Defense Against Weapons of Mass Destruction title to encourage better coordination and improve capabilities to respond to incidents involving weapons of mass destruction; expresses the sense of Congress that the President should direct the Secretaries of Defense, State, Energy, and the Administrator of EPA to assess the feasibility of a privately funded international project to exchange information related to advanced nuclear waste remediation technologies; requires the restructuring of Theater High-Altitude Area Defense System acquisition strategy; requires that the authority to issue an objection concerning the export of supercomputers be executed at a specified level and requires that procedures maximize the ability to issue an objection with the 10 day time limit; increases the amount authorized for basic research and applied research by \$1.1 billion; transfers oversight of the program for assessment of alternative

technologies for demilitarization of assembled chemical weapons to the Army and authorizes \$12.6 million for the program; authorizes the conveyance of property at Fort Sheridan, Illinois to the City of Lake Forest, Illinois; requires a report on the rates of personnel retention by military services since 1989; and specifies requirements for the transfer of excess UH-1 Huey helicopters and AH-1 Cobra helicopters to foreign countries; **Page 10215**

The Thornberry amendment that authorizes DOD to conduct a demonstration program for enrolling Medicare-eligible military retirees in the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program (agreed to by a recorded vote of 420 ayes to 1 noes with 1 voting "present;") **Page 10234**

The Traficant amendment that authorizes the Secretary of Defense to assign members of the Armed Forces, under certain circumstances and subject to certain conditions, to assist the Immigration and Naturalization Service and the Customs Service in monitoring and patrolling our borders (agreed to by a recorded vote of 288 ayes to 132 noes, Roll No. 180); **Page 10246**

The Gilman amendment that establishes reporting requirements for nuclear exports that are comparable to those in existing law for conventional arms; requires the Executive branch to submit to Congress a report describing each such export and the basis for approval; provides for Congress to have 30 days to review the proposed license and use expedited procedures to enact a resolution of disapproval if necessary (agreed to by a recorded vote of 405 ayes to 9 noes, Roll No. 181); **Pages 10256, 10261**

The Hunter amendment, as modified, that requires a study to assess the impact of the current micropurchase program and the advisability of increasing the purchase threshold; **Page 10258**

The Taylor of Mississippi amendment that requires the Secretary of Defense to expand its drug testing program to all civilian employees; and **Page 10259**

The Thomas amendment that provides for treatment of the State of California claim regarding the naval petroleum reserve numbered 1 and makes available amounts in the contingent fund for paying the claim. **Page 10260**

Rejected the Reyes amendment to the Traficant amendment that sought to require the Attorney General or the Secretary of the Treasury to submit a request to the Secretary of Defense prior to the assignment of armed forces personnel to assist the Immigration and Naturalization Service and Customs Service (rejected by a recorded vote of 179 ayes to 243 noes, Roll No. 179). **Page 10252**

Rejected the Frank of Massachusetts motion to strike all after the enacting clause. **Page 10245**

The Clerk was authorized in the engrossment of H.R. 3616 to correct section numbers, punctuation, cross references, table of contents, and to make other technical and conforming changes as may be necessary to reflect the actions of the House in amending the bill. **Page 10266**

H. Res. 441, the rule that is providing for the further consideration on the bill, was agreed to on May 20.

Agreed today that during further consideration of the bill pursuant to the rule, the Thomas amendment be deemed to have been included as the last amendment printed in part D of H. Rept. 105-544, the report accompanying the rule.

Pages 9898, 10215

BESTEA—Motion to Instruct Conferees: Rejected the Minge motion to instruct House conferees on H.R. 2400, Building Efficient Surface Transportation and Equity Act, to ensure that spending for highways and transit programs authorized in the conference agreement on H.R. 2400 is fully paid for using estimates of the Congressional Budget Office, to reject the use of estimates from any other source, to reject any method of budgeting that departs from the budget enforcement principles currently in effect, or the use of the budget surplus to pay for spending on highways or transit programs by a recorded vote of 156 ayes to 251 noes with 2 voting "present", Roll No. 185.

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BESTEA—Motion to Instruct Conferees: Rejected the Obey motion to instruct House conferees on H.R. 2400, Building Efficient Surface Transportation and Equity Act, to limit the aggregate number of earmarked highway demonstration projects included in the conference report on H.R. 2400 to a number that does not exceed the aggregate number of such highway demonstration projects earmarked during the 42 years since the enactment of the Highway Trust Fund in 1956 by a yea and nay vote of 77 yeas to 332 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 184.

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Campaign Finance Reform: The House agreed to H. Res. 442, the rule that is providing for consideration of H.J. Res. 119, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to limit campaign spending, and H.R. 2183, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to reform the financing of campaigns for elections for Federal office. Agreed to order the previous question by a yea and nay vote of 208 yeas to 190 nays, Roll No. 186.

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Recess: The House recessed at 11:59 p.m. and reconvened at 12:15 a.m. on Friday, May 22.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages 10176 and 10240.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 10296.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Five yea and nay votes and seven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 10175, 10194, 10214, 10244, 10255, 10256, 10261, 10265, 10266, 10272, 10273, and 10284. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 12:17 a.m. on Friday, May 22.

Committee Meetings

U.S. AGRICULTURE, ASIAN FINANCIAL CRISIS AND THE IMF

Committee on Agriculture: Held a hearing to review U.S. Agriculture, the Asian Financial Crisis, and the International Monetary Fund. Testimony was heard from Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; Robert E. Rubin, Secretary of the Treasury; and Dan Glickman, Secretary of Agriculture.

ELECTRONIC COMMERCE

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on Electronic Commerce: Doing Business On-Line. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth and Families approved for full Committee action the following measures: H. Res. 401, amended, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that social promotion in America's schools should be ended and can be ended through the use of high-quality, proven programs and practices; H. Res. 399, amended, urging the Congress and the President to work to fully fund the Federal Government's obligation under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act; H.R. 3254, IDEA Technical Amendments Act of 1998; H.R. 3871, amended, to amend the National School Lunch Act to provide children with increased access to food and nutrition assistance during the summer months; H.R. 3874, WIC Reauthorization Amendments of 1998; and H.R. 3892, to amend the Elementary and Secondary Act of 1965 to establish a program to help children and youth learn English.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; COMMITTEE BUSINESS; RELEASING DEPOSITIONS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 3630, amended, to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 9719 Candelaria Road, NE, in Albuquerque, New Mexico, as the "Steven Schiff Post Office"; H.R. 3808, amended, to designate the United States Post Office located at 47526 Clipper Drive in Plymouth, Michigan, as the "Carl D. Pursell Post Office"; H.R. 2798, to redesignate the building of the United States Postal Service located at 2419 West Monroe Street, in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Nancy B. Jefferson Post Office Building"; H.R. 2799, to redesignate the building of the United States Postal Service located at 324 South Laramie Street, in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Reverend Milton R. Brunson Post Office Building"; H.R. 1704, amended, Congressional Office of Regulatory Analysis Creation Act.

The Committee also approved the following: pending Committee business; and the release of 14 depositions regarding the campaign finance investigation.

2000 CENSUS OVERSIGHT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Census held a hearing on Oversight of the 2000 Census: Reviewing the Long and Short Form Questionnaires. Testimony was heard from Representatives Morella and Canady; and public witnesses.

ASIAN FINANCIAL CRISIS—TAIWAN'S POSITIVE ROLE

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific approved for full Committee action amended H. Con. Res. 270, acknowledging the positive role of Taiwan in the current Asian financial crisis and affirming the support of the American people for peace and stability on the Taiwan Strait and security for Taiwan's democracy.

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade held a hearing on Intellectual Property Rights: the Music and Film. Testimony was heard from Bruce Lehman, Assistant Secretary and Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2448, to provide protection from personal intrusion; and H.R. 3224, Privacy Protection Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

CHILD CUSTODY PROTECTION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution held a hearing on H.R. 3682, Child Custody Protection Act. Testimony was heard from Representatives Ros-Lehtinen, Oberstar and Smith of New Jersey; Robert Graci, Assistant Executive Deputy Attorney General, Law and Appeals, Criminal Law Division, Office of the Attorney General, State of Pennsylvania; and public witnesses.

TRADEMARK LEGISLATION; OVERSIGHT—TRADEMARK PROTECTION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property on the following bills: H.R. 3891, Trademark Anticounterfeiting Act of 1998; and H.R. 3119, to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 with respect to the dilution of famous marks and an oversight hearing on issues in trademark protection and the impact of regulatory delay on patents. Testimony was heard from Representative Blunt; and public witnesses.

SUBPOENAS; OVERSIGHT—INS RESTRUCTURE PROPOSALS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims approved the issuance of subpoenas regarding the investigation of the death of Esequiel Hernandez, Jr.

The Subcommittee also held an oversight hearing on Alternative Proposals to Restructure the Immigration and Naturalization Service. Testimony was heard from Representatives Rogers and Reyes; Doris Meissner, Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

ROYALTY ENHANCEMENT ACT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources continues hearings on H.R. 3334, Royalty Enhancement Act of 1998, (Part II). Testimony was heard from Cynthia Quarterman, Director, Minerals Management Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands approved for full Committee action the following measures: H.J. Res. 113, amended, approving the location of a Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial in the Nation's Capitol; H.R. 1042, amended, to amend the Illinois and Michigan Canal Heritage Corridor Act of 1984 to extend the Illinois and Michigan Canal Heritage Corridor Commission; H.R. 1894, to reauthorize the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area Citizen Advisory Commission for 10 additional years; H.R. 2223, amended, Education Land Grant Act; H.R. 2776, to amend the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the establishment of the Morristown National Historical Park in the State of New Jersey, and for other purposes" to authorize the acquisition of property known as the Warren property; H.R. 2993, amended, to provide for the collection of fees for the making of motion pictures, television productions, and sound tracks in National Park System and National Wildlife Refuge System units; and H.R. 3047, amended, to authorize expansion of Fort Davis National Historic Site in Fort Davis, Texas, by 16 acres.

CONFERENCE REPORT ON AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH, EXTENSION, AND EDUCATION REFORM ACT OF 1998

Committee on Rules: Granted, by vote of 7 to 4, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report [except those arising under clause 3 of rule XXVIII (pertaining to the scope of the conference) and predicated on provisions in subtitle A of title V (relating to the Food Stamp Program)] on S. 1150, Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998, and against its consideration except those arising under section 425 of the Congressional Budget Act (relating to Unfunded Mandates)]. The rule also provides that if a point of order against the conference report is sustained for failure to

comply with clause 3 or rule XXVIII the conference report shall be considered as rejected and the pending question shall be whether the House shall recede from its amendment and agree to an amendment to the Senate bill consisting of the text of the conference report as modified. Testimony was heard from Chairman Smith of Oregon, and Representatives Smith of Texas and Stenholm.

EXPEDITED PROCEDURES—SAME DAY CONSIDERATION OF RULE

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving clause 4(b) of rule XI (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against certain resolutions reported from the Rules Committee. The waiver applies to a special rule reported on May 22, 1998, providing for consideration or disposition of H.R. 2400, BESTEA, an amendment thereto, a conference report thereon, or an amendment reported in disagreement from a conference thereon.

DOE LABS—EXTERNAL REGULATION

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Basic Research and the Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a joint oversight hearing on External Regulation of DOE Labs: Status of OSHA and NRC Pilot Programs. Testimony was heard from Elizabeth Moler, Deputy Secretary, Department of Energy; Shirley A. Jackson, Chairman, NRC; Charles N. Jeffress, Assistant Secretary, Occupational Safety and Health, Department of Labor; and Victor S. Rezendes, Director, Energy, Natural Resources, and Science Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, GAO.

OVERSIGHT—ASTEROIDS

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics held an oversight hearing on Asteroids: Perils and Opportunities. Testimony was heard from Carl Pilcher, Science Director, Solar System Exploration, NASA; Gregory Canavan, Senior Scientist, Los Alamos National Laboratory; and public witnesses.

ENTREPRENEURIAL EDUCATION

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Empowerment held a hearing on entrepreneurial education. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FUTURE OF SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security continued hearings on the Future of Social Security for this Generation and the Next, with emphasis on proposals affecting Federal, State, and Local Government Employees. Testimony was heard from Representatives Jefferson and Frank of Massachusetts; Cynthia Fagnoni, Director, Income Security Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, GAO; Geoffrey Kollmann, Specialist in Social Legislation, Education and Public Welfare Division, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

Friday, May 22, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 10314–10447

Measures Introduced: Fourteen bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2112–2125, S. Con. Res. 99, and S. Res. 235–237. **Page 10391**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1642, to improve the effectiveness and performance of Federal financial assistance programs, simplify Federal financial assistance application and reporting requirements, and improve the delivery of services to the public. (S. Rept. No. 105–194)

S. 1250, to authorize appropriations for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–195)

S. 1325, to authorize appropriations for the Technology Administration of the Department of Commerce for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 105–196) **Page 10391**

Measures Passed:

Iran Missile Proliferation Sanctions Act: By 90 yeas to 4 nays (Vote No. 146), Senate passed H.R. 2709, to impose certain sanctions on foreign persons who transfer items contributing to Iran's efforts to acquire, develop, or produce ballistic missiles, and to implement the obligations of the United States under the Chemical Weapons Convention, after taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 10324**

Adopted:

Levin Amendment No. 2444, to change the date of behavior subject to sanctions relating to Iran missile proliferation. **Page 10340**

Congratulating Sri Lanka: Senate agreed to S. Res. 172, congratulating President Chandrika Bandaranaike Kumaratunga and the people of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka on the celebration of 50 years of independence. **Page 10357**

Israeli Membership in U.N. Regional Group: Senate agreed to S. Res. 188, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding Israeli membership in a United Nations regional group. **Page 10357**

Authorizing the Flying of the POW/MIA Flag: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 99, authorizing the flying of the POW/MIA flag. **Page 10445**

Intermodal Surface Transportation Act—Conference Report: By 88 yeas to 5 nays (Vote No. 147), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 2400, to author-

ize funds for Federal-aid-highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs. **Page 10359**

Nuclear Waste Policy Act—Cloture Motion Filed: A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to the consideration of H.R. 1270, to amend the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982 and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture motion will occur on Tuesday, June 2, 1998. **Page 10356**

Authority for Committees: All committees were authorized to file executive and legislative reports during the adjournment of the Senate on Wednesday, May 27, 1998, from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. **Page 10357**

Appointments:

National Skill Standards Board: The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, pursuant to P.L. 103-227, appointed the following individuals to the National Skill Standards Board: Tim C. Flynn, of South Dakota, Representative of Business; and Jerald A. Tunheim, of South Dakota, Representative of Human Resource Professionals. **Page 10357**

Global Climate Change Observer Group: The Chair announced, on behalf of the two leaders, pursuant to provisions of S. Res. 98, agreed to July 25, 1997, the appointment of Senator Kerrey to the Global Climate Change Observer Group, vice Senator Bingaman. **Page 10357**

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaties:

Treaty with Czech Republic on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 105-47);

Inter-American Convention on Sea Turtles (Treaty Doc. 105-48).

The treaties were transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and was ordered to be printed. **Page 10445**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report concerning the whereabouts of U.S. citizens who have been missing from Cyprus since 1974; referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM-133). **Page 10387**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Joan Avalyn Dempsey, of Virginia, to be Deputy Director of Central Intelligence for Community Management.

Cyril Kent McGuire, of New Jersey, to be Assistant Secretary for Educational Research and Improvement, Department of Education.

Patrick A. Mulloy, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

Rita R. Colwell, of Maryland, to be Director of the National Science Foundation for a term of six years.

5 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

9 Army nominations in the rank of general.

2 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

9 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, Navy. **Pages 10441, 10446**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Greta Joy Dicus, of Arkansas, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for the term of five years expiring June 30, 2003.

Hugh Q. Parmer, of Texas, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Agency for International Development.

Joan Specter, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2002.

Awilda R. Marquez, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce, and Director General of the United States and Foreign Commercial Service.

Louis Caldera, of California, to be Secretary of the Army, vice Togo Dennis West, Jr.

Gerald Bruce Lee, of Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia.

Patricia A. Seitz, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.

Routine lists in the Army, Marine Corps, Navy. **Page 10446**

Messages From the President: **Page 10387**

Messages From the House: **Page 10388**

Measures Placed on Calendar: **Page 10388**

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Authority for Committees: **Page 10420**

Additional Statements: **Page 10420**

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—147) **Pages 10346, 10374**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and, in accordance with S. Con. Res. 98, adjourned at 5:27 p.m., until 12 noon, on Monday, June 1, 1998.

Committee Meetings

NOMINATION

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Joan Avalyn Dempsey, of Virginia, to be Deputy Director of Central Intelligence for Community Management.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 32 public bills, H.R. 3945–3976; 1 private bill, H.R. 3977; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 281–283 and H. Res. 448, were introduced. **Page 10669**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 872, to establish rules governing product liability actions against raw materials and bulk component suppliers to medical device manufacturers, amended (H. Rept. 105–549 Part 1);

Conference report on H.R. 2400, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs (H. Rept. 105–550).

H.R. 2281, to amend title 17, United States Code, to implement the World Intellectual Property Organization Copyright Treaty and Performances and Phonograms Treaty, amended (H. Rept. 105–551 Part 1);

H. Res. 449, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 2400, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs (H. Rept. 105–552);

H. Res. 450, providing for consideration of H.R. 3433, to amend the Social Security Act to establish a Ticket to Work and Self-Sufficiency Program in the Social Security Administration to provide beneficiaries with disabilities meaningful opportunities to return to work and to extend Medicare coverage for such beneficiaries, and to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a tax credit for impairment-related work expenses (H. Rept. 105–553); and

H.R. 3035, to establish an advisory commission to provide advice and recommendations on the creation of an integrated, coordinated Federal policy designed to prepare for and respond to serious drought emergencies, amended (H. Rept. 105–554 Part 1). **Pages 10484, 10668**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Dr. Carl Holladay of Atlanta, Georgia. **Page 10448**

Extension of Remarks: Agreed that for today, all members be permitted to extend their remarks and to include extraneous material in that section of the record entitled "Extension of Remarks." **Page 10448**

Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Stenholm motion to adjourn by yea and nay vote of 59 yeas to 304 nays, Roll No. 187. **Page 10451**

Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act Conference Report: The House failed to agree to H. Res. 446, as amended, the rule disposing of the conference report to accompany S. 1150, to ensure that federally funded agricultural research, extension, and education address high-priority concerns with national or multistate significance, to reform, extend, and eliminate certain agricultural research programs by yea and nay vote of 120 yeas to 289 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 188). Earlier, agreed to the Solomon amendment that strikes from the rule "subtitle A of title V" on page 2 and inserts "sections 503 through 509 and by striking section 510(b)". **Page 10452**

Bipartisan Campaign Integrity Act: The House completed general debate on H.R. 2183, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to reform the financing of campaigns for elections for Federal office. The House agreed to H. Res. 442, the rule that is providing for consideration of the bill on May 21. **Page 10446**

Internal Revenue Service Restructuring and Reform Act: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 2676, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Chairman Archer, Representatives Johnson of Connecticut, Portman, Rangel, and Coyne. **Page 10634**

Agreed to the Coyne motion to instruct conferees to insist upon the provisions contained in the House bill and thereby not further delay needed restructuring of the Internal Revenue Service, by a yea and nay vote of 388 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 189. **Page 10634**

Expedited Procedure—Same Day Consideration of Rule: The House agreed to H. Res. 445, waiving a requirement of clause 4(b), rule XI with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules. **Page 10641**

Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century: The House agreed to the Conference Report on H.R. 2400, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, by a recorded vote of 297 yeas to 86 noes, Roll No. 192. **Page 10644**

Rejected the Obey motion to recommit the conference report to the committee of conference with instructions to strike those provisions of the conference report that prohibit or reduce service-connected disability compensation to veterans relating to use of tobacco products, by a yea and nay vote of 190 yeas to 195 nays, Roll No. 191. **Page 10662**

H. Res. 449, the rule that waived points of order against consideration of the conference report was agreed

to earlier by a yea and nay vote of 359 yeas to 29 nays, Roll No. 190. **Page 10641**

Enrollment Correction: Agreed to H. Con. Res. 282, to correct the enrollment of H.R. 2400, Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century. **Page 10664**

Employment, Training, and Literacy Enhancement Act: The House disagreed with the Senate amendment to H.R. 1385, to consolidate, coordinate, and improve employment, training, literacy, and vocational rehabilitation programs in the United States and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees, Chairman Goodling, Representatives Goodling, McKeon, Riggs, Graham, Bob Schaffer of Colorado, Clay, Martinez, and Kildee. **Page 10664**

Display of the POW/MIA Flag at the Capitol: The House agreed to S. Con. Res. 99, providing for the display of the POW/MIA flag at the Capitol—clearing the measure. **Page 10665**

Motions to Suspend the Rules: Agreed that on Wednesday, June 3, the Speaker be authorized to entertain motions to suspend the rules and pass the following measures: H.R. 2604, Religious Liberty and Charitable Donation Protection Act; H.R. 3504, John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts Authorization Act; H.R. 3808, designating the Carl D. Pursell U.S. Post Office; H.R. 3630, designating the Steven Schiff U.S. Post Office; H.R. 2798, designating the Nancy B. Jefferson U.S. Post Office; and H.R. 2799, designating the Reverend Milton R. Brunson U.S. Post Office Building. **Page 10665**

Late Report: Agreed that the Committee on the Budget have until midnight on Wednesday, May 27, to file a report on a concurrent resolution on the budget. **Page 10665**

Presidential Message—Cyprus: Read a message from the President wherein he submitted his report to Congress on the Investigation of the Whereabouts of the U.S. Citizens Who Have Been Missing from Cyprus Since 1974—referred to the Committee on International Relations. **Page 10665**

Memorial Day District Work Period: Agreed to S. Con. Res. 98, providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and House of Representatives—clearing the measure. **Page 10465**

Designation of Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Wolf to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through June 3, 1998. **Page 10665**

Legislative Program: The Majority Leader announced the Legislative Program for the week of June 1. **Page 10665**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of June 3. **Page 10666**

Resignations-Appointments: Agreed that notwithstanding any adjournment of the House until Wednesday, June 3, the Speaker, Majority Leader, and Minority Leader be authorized to accept resignations and make appointments. **Page 10666**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages 10448, 10636, and 10664.

Referral: S. Con. Res. 73, expressing the sense of Congress that the European Union is unfairly restricting the importation of United States agriculture products and the elimination of such restrictions should be a top priority in trade negotiations with the European Union, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. **Page 10667**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 10671.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Five yea and nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 10451, 10463, 10636, 10643, 10662, and 10663. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 9:00 a.m. and pursuant to the provisions of S. Con. Res. 98, adjourned at 6:27 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 3.

Committee Meetings

CONFERENCE REPORT—TRANSPORTATION EQUITY ACT FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 2400, Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard from Chairman Shuster and Representative Oberstar.

TICKET TO WORK AND SELF-SUFFICIENCY ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule providing for consideration of H.R. 3433, Ticket to Work and Self-Sufficiency Act of 1998, in the House without intervention of any point of order. The rule provides that the amendment recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted, modified by the amendment printed in the report of the Committee on Rules. The rule provides 1 hour of general debate on the bill, as amended, equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule also provides for consideration of an amendment printed in the Congressional Record if offered by Representative Rangel or his designee, which shall be considered as read and shall be separately debatable for one hour equally divided between the proponent and an opponent. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recom-

mit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Bunning and Kennelly.

Monday, June 1, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 10723–61

Measures Introduced: Two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. Res. 238 and 239. **Page 10751**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Reported on Wednesday, May 27, during the adjournment:

H.R. 2232, to provide for increased international broadcasting activities to China, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2126, to amend section 502B of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to require information on foreign government officials responsible for egregious offenses against human rights in the annual reports on the human rights practices of countries receiving United States security assistance. **Page 10751**

Reported today:

Report to accompany S. 1360, Border Improvement and Immigration Act. (S. Rept. No. 105–197)

S. 1531, to deauthorize certain portions of the project for navigation, Bass Harbor, Maine.

S. 1532, to amend the Water Resources Development Act of 1996 to deauthorize the remainder of the project at East Boothbay Harbor, Maine. **Page 10751**

Measures Passed:

Authorizing Testimony/Production of Documents: Senate agreed to S. Res. 239, to authorize testimony and document production and representation of Senate employees in *Pointe Properties, Inc., et al. v. Michael J. Bevenour, et al.* **Page 10761**

Universal Tobacco Settlement Act: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1415, to reform and restructure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 2420), taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Page 10728**

Pending:

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2433 (to Amendment No. 2420), to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers. **Page 10728**

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2434 (to Amendment No. 2420), in the nature of a substitute. **Page 10728**

Gramm Motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Finance with instructions to report back forthwith, with Amendment No. 2436, to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers, and to eliminate the marriage penalty reflected in the standard deduction and to ensure the earned income credit takes into account the elimination of such penalty. **Page 10728**

Daschle (for Durbin) Amendment No. 2437 (to Amendment No. 2436), relating to reductions in underage tobacco usage. **Page 10728**

Daschle (for Durbin) Amendment No. 2438 (to Amendment No. 2437), of a perfecting nature. **Page 10728**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Tuesday, June 2, 1998.

Nuclear Waste Policy Act—Cloture Vote Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 1270, to amend the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982, with a cloture vote to occur thereon at 6 p.m. **Page 10761**

Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the nomination of Rosemary S. Pooler, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, on Tuesday, June 2, 1998, with a vote to occur thereon. **Page 10761**

Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

Chester J. Straub, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit. **Page 10760**

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Additional Cosponsors: **Page 10751**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon, and adjourned at 6:23 p.m. until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, June 2, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page 10761.)

Committee Meetings

BANKRUPTCY REFORM: HEALTH CARE INDUSTRY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts concluded hearings on S. 1914, to provide reforms to the business provisions of the bankruptcy code, focusing on Title I, to provide new protections for patients of hospitals and HMOs and nursing homes that declare bankruptcy, after receiving testimony from Thomas R. Prince, Northwestern University, Evans-

ton, Illinois; Keith J. Shapiro, Holleb & Coff, Chicago, Illinois, on behalf of the American Bankruptcy Institute; Deborah L. Fish, Mallard & Fish, Detroit, Michigan; and Charles N. Kahn, Health Insurance Association of America, Washington, D.C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session. It will next meet on Wednesday, June 3.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

SECOND SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House. The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 27 through May 31, 1998

	Senate	House	Total
Days in session	67	50	
Time in session	518 hrs., 24'	387 hrs., 24'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	5,487	3,975	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	982	..
Public bills enacted into law	11	10	21
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	..	..
Bills in conference	6	5	..
Measures passed, total	96	193	289
Senate bills	12	14	..
House bills	17	81	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
House joint resolutions	1	2	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	10	4	..
House concurrent resolutions	9	18	..
Simple resolutions	47	74	..
Measures reported, total	*76	*143	219
Senate bills	48	1	..
House bills	12	85	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	1	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	5	..	..
House concurrent resolutions .....	..	8	..
Simple resolutions	11	48	..
Special reports	6	1	..
Conference reports .....	..	4	..
Measures pending on calendar	170	54	..
Measures introduced, total	670	1,101	1,771
Bills	560	889	..
Joint resolutions	7	13	..
Concurrent resolutions	29	83	..
Simple resolutions	74	116	..
Quorum calls	1	5	..
Yea-and-nay votes	147	85	..
Recorded votes .....	..	102	..
Bills vetoed	1	..	..
Vetoes overridden	1	1	..

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 27 through May 31, 1998

Civilian nominations, totaling 271, (including 124 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	82
Unconfirmed	176
Withdrawn	13
Civilian nominations (FS, PHS, CG, NOAA), totaling 1,036, (including 86 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	598
Unconfirmed	438
Air Force nominations, totaling 2,205, (including 21 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	2,151
Unconfirmed	54
Army nominations, totaling 2,024, (including 2 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,426
Unconfirmed	598
Navy nominations, totaling 746, (including 4 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	89
Unconfirmed	657
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 1,745, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,741
Unconfirmed	4
<i>Summary</i>	
Total nominations carried over from the First Session	237
Total nominations received this session	7,790
Total confirmed	6,087
Total unconfirmed	1,927
Total withdrawn	13

*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 38 reports have been filed in the Senate, a total of 148 reports have been filed in the House.

Tuesday, June 2, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 10765–10821

Measures Introduced: Three bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2127–2129, S. Res. 240 and 241, and S. Con. Res. 100. **Page 10809**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 1702, to encourage the development of a commercial space industry in the United States, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–198)

Special Report on Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for fiscal year 1999. (S. Rept. No. 105–199) **Page 10809**

Measures Passed:

Death of former Senator Goldwater: Senate agreed to S. Res. 241, relative to the death of the Honorable Barry Goldwater, formerly a Senator from the State of Arizona. **Page 10819**

McKinley Federal Building: Senate passed S. 1298, to designate a Federal building located in Florence, Alabama, as the "Justice John McKinley Federal Building". **Page 10820**

Lee U.S. Courthouse: Senate passed S. 1355, to designate the United States courthouse located in New Haven, Connecticut, as the "Richard C. Lee United States Courthouse". **Page 10820**

Kinneary U.S. Courthouse: Senate passed S. 1800, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 85 Marconi Boulevard in Columbus, Ohio, as the "Joseph P. Kinneary United States Courthouse". **Page 10820**

Dellums Federal Building: Senate passed S. 1898, to designate the Federal building located at 1301 Clay Street in Oakland, California, as the "Ronald V. Dellums Federal Building". **Page 10820**

Saunders Federal Building: Senate passed S. 2032, to designate the Federal building in Juneau, Alaska, as the "Hurff A. Saunders Federal Building". **Page 10821**

Markey National Courts Building: Senate passed H.R. 824, to redesignate the Federal building located at 717 Madison Place, NW., in the District of Columbia, as the "Howard T. Markey National Courts Building". **Page 10821**

Universal Tobacco Settlement Act: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1415, to reform and restructure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured,

marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 2420), taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 10767, 10804**

Adopted:

McCain Modified Amendment No. 2446 (to Amendment No. 2420), to ensure funding for Veterans' Administration treatment of tobacco-related illnesses. **Pages 10783, 10804**

Pending:

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2433 (to Amendment No. 2420), to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers. **Page 10767**

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2434 (to Amendment No. 2433), in the nature of a substitute. **Page 10767**

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Daschle (for Durbin) Amendment No. 2437 (to Amendment No. 2436), relating to reductions in underaged tobacco usage. **Page 10767**

Daschle (for Durbin) Amendment No. 2438 (to Amendment No. 2437), of a perfecting nature. **Page 10767**

Senate will resume consideration of the bill on Thursday, June 4, 1998.

Nuclear Waste Policy Act—Cloture Vote: By 56 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 148), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 1270, to amend the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982. **Page 10790**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Rosemary S. Pooler, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit. **Pages 10804, 10821**

Messages From the House: **Page 10808**

Communications: **Page 10808**

Statements on Introduced Bills: **Page 10809**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page 10811**

Amendments Submitted: **Page 10815**

Authority for Committees: **Page 10815**

Additional Statements: **Page 10815**

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—148) **Page 10803**

Recess: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Senator Barry Goldwater, of Arizona, in accordance with S. Res. 241, recessed at 7:05 p.m. until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, June 4, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 10821.)

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

APPROPRIATIONS—ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

PREPAREDNESS FOR EPIDEMICS AND BIOTERRORISM

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies concluded hearings to examine the public health response to disease outbreaks caused by biological and chemical terrorism, focusing on the current system of public health surveillance and control at the State, local, and Federal levels, and certain terrorist incidents involving biological agents, after receiving testimony from James M. Hughes, Director, National Center for Infectious Diseases, and Richard J. Jackson, Director, National Center for Environmental Health, both of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and Robert F. Knouss, Director, Office of Emergency Preparedness, all of the Department of Health and Human Services; Ralph D. Morris, Galveston County Health Department, LaMarque, Texas, on behalf of the National Association of County and City Health Officials; Michael T. Osterholm, Minneapolis, Minnesota, on behalf of the American Society for Microbiology; Edward Thompson, Association of State and Territorial Health Officials, Washington, D.C.; and Luther J. Fincher, Jr., Charlotte Fire Department, Charlotte, North Carolina, on behalf of the International Association of Fire Chiefs.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Hans Mark, of Texas, to be Director of Defense Research and Engineering, Mahlon Apgar IV, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of the Army for Installations, Logistics and Environment, and Joseph W. Westphal, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of

the Army for Civil Works, all of the Department of Defense, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Dr. Mark was introduced by Senator Hutchison, Mr. Apgar was introduced by Senator Sarbanes, and Mr. Westphal was introduced by Senator Cochran.

FHA

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Housing Opportunity and Community Development held oversight hearings to review the current status of the Federal Housing Administration, focusing on its role and mission, financial status, and reform efforts, receiving testimony from Susan Gaffney, Inspector General, and Ira Peppercorn, General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Housing-Federal Housing Commissioner, both of the Department of Housing and Urban Development; and Judy A. England-Joseph, Director, Housing and Community Development Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office.

Hearings continue on Thursday, June 4.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Clyde J. Hart, Jr., of New Jersey, to be Administrator of the Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation, and Neal F. Lane, of Oklahoma, to be Director, and Rosina M. Bierbaum, of Virginia, to be an Associate Director, both of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Hart was introduced by Senator Lautenberg, and Drs. Lane and Bierbaum were introduced by Senator Robb.

INTERNATIONAL POSTAL SERVICES ACT

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services concluded hearings on S. 2082, to amend chapter 36 of title 39, United States Code, to provide authority to fix rates and fees for domestic and international postal services, after receiving testimony from William J. Henderson, Postmaster General/Chief Executive Officer, and Einar V. Dyhrkopp, Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors, both of the United States Postal Service; Christopher J. McCormick, L.L. Bean, Inc., Freeport, Maine; Frederick W. Smith, FDX Corporation, Memphis, Tennessee; and James P. Kelly, United Parcel Service, Atlanta, Georgia.

Y2K COMPUTER COMPLIANCE AND SMALL BUSINESS

Committee on Small Business: Committee held hearings to examine the impact that the Year 2000 computer compliance problem will have on small business, receiving testimony from Thomas S. Luedtke, Deputy Associate Administrator for Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space

Administration; James H. Yasso, Intel Corporation, Folsom, California; Harris N. Miller, Information Technology Association of America, Arlington, Virginia; David Eddy, Software Sales Group, Inc., Babson Park, Massachusetts; and David L. Schaefer, Armfield, Harrison & Thomas, Inc., Leesburg, Virginia.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to consider pending intelligence matters, but made no announcements, and recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session. It will next meet on Wednesday, June 3.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

Joint Meetings

RETIREMENT SAVINGS

Joint Hearing: Senate Special Committee on Aging and the House Committee on Education and the Workforce Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations concluded joint hearings to examine certain retirement savings barriers for individuals and ways to educate Americans on how to prepare for retirement, after receiving testimony from Olena Berg, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Pension Welfare Benefits; Dallas L. Salisbury, Employee Benefit Research Institute, Washington, D.C.; Sharon Dillon Robinson, Center for Retirement Education/Variable Annuity Life Insurance Company, Houston, Texas; Dennis L. Stone, Western Manufacturing Corp., Marshalltown, Iowa; and Jan Owens Bruene, Des Moines, Iowa.

Wednesday, June 3, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Senate was not in session today. It will next meet on Thursday, June 4, 1998 at 9:30 a.m.

Committee Meetings

PAKISTAN NUCLEAR TESTS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs held hearings to examine the U.S. response to Pakistan's recent underground nuclear tests and nuclear missile program, receiving testimony from Karl F. Inderfurth, Assistant Secretary of State for South Asian Affairs; William Schneider, Jr., former Under Secretary of State for Security Assistance, Science and Technology; and Richard N. Haass, Brookings Institution, Washington, D.C., former Senior Director for Near East and South Asia, National Security Council.

Hearings were recessed subject to the call.

MANDATES INFORMATION ACT

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on S. 389 and H.R. 3534, bills to improve congressional deliberation on proposed Federal private sector mandates, after receiving testimony from Senator Abraham; Representative Portman; James L. Blum, Deputy Director, Congressional Budget Office; Mary Ann Cricchio, Baltimore, Maryland, on behalf of the National Restaurant Association; and R. Bruce Josten, United States Chamber of Commerce, and Sharon Buccino, Natural Resources Defense Council, both of Washington, D.C.

TRIBAL JUSTICE INITIATIVE

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded oversight hearings on the needs of tribal governments for increased resources for law enforcement to provide greater safety in Indian communities, focusing on the Administration's proposed Indian Law Enforcement Initiative, after receiving testimony from Janet Reno, Attorney General, Department of Justice; Kevin Gover, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs; Joseph F. Baca, Justice, Supreme Court of New Mexico, Santa Fe; Spike Bighorn, Fort Peck Executive Council, Poplar, Montana; Norman G. Wilson, Rosebud Sioux Tribal Council, Rosebud, South Dakota; Don Sollars, Blackfeet Tribal Court, Browning, Montana; Jill E. Shibles, National American Indian Court Judges Association, Mashantucket, Connecticut; and Roy W. Bernal, All Indian Pueblo Council, and Ada Pecos Melton, American Indian Development Associates, both of Albuquerque, New Mexico.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 12 public bills, H.R. 3978–3989; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 284–286 and H. Res. 451–452, were introduced.

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Filed on May 27, H. Con. Res. 284, revising the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 1998, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 1999 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2000, 2001, 2002, and 2003 (H. Rept. 105-555);

H.R. 1704, to amend title 11, United States Code, to protect certain charitable contributions, and for other purposes, amended (H. Rept. 105-441 Part 2);

H.R. 2604, to amend title 11, United States Code, to protect certain charitable contributions, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 105-556);

H.R. 3494, to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to violent sex crimes against children, and for other purposes, amended (H. Rept. 105-557);

H.R. 2888, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to exempt from the minimum wage recordkeeping and overtime compensation requirements certain specialized employees, amended (H. Rept. 105-558);

H.R. 1635, to establish within the United States National Park Service the National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom program, amended (H. Rept. 105-559);

H.R. 3520, to adjust the boundaries of the Lake Chelan National Recreation Area and the adjacent Wenatchee National Forest in the State of Washington. (H. Rept. 105-560);

H.R. 3796, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey the administrative site for the Rogue River National Forest and use the proceeds for the construction or improvement of offices and support buildings for the Rogue River National Forest and the Bureau of Land Management (H. Rept. 105-561);

H.R. 3007, to establish the Commission on the Advancement of Women in Science, Engineering, and Technology Development, amended (H. Rept. 105-562);

H. Res. 453, providing for consideration of H.J. Res. 78, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States restoring religious freedom (H. Rept. 105-563);

H. Res. 454, providing for consideration of H. Con. Res. 285, expressing the sense of the Congress that the President of the United States should reconsider his decision to be formally received in Tiananmen Square by the Government of the People's Republic of China (H. Rept. 105-564); and

H. Res. 455, providing for consideration of H. Con. Res. 284, revising the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 1998, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 1999, and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2000, 2001, 2002, and 2003 (H. Rept. 105-565). **Page 10901**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Pease to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 10822**

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Friday, May 22 by ye and nay vote of 354 yeas to 35 nays, Roll No. 193. **Pages 10822, 10871**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Kennedy Center Authorization: H.R. 3504, amended, to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize appropriations for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and to further define the criteria for capital repair and operation and maintenance; **Page 10836**

Carl D. Pursell Post Office: H.R. 3808, amended, to designate the United States Post Office located at 47526 Clipper Drive in Plymouth, Michigan, as the "Carl D. Pursell Post Office" (passed by ye and nay vote of 389 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 194). Agreed to amend the title; **Pages 10838, 10872**

Steven Schiff Post Office: H.R. 3630, amended, to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 9719 Candelaria Road NE. in Albuquerque, New Mexico, as the "Steven Schiff Post Office" (passed by a ye and nay vote of 391 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 195). Agreed to amend the title; **Pages 10840, 10873**

Nancy B. Jefferson Post Office Building: H.R. 2798, to redesignate the building of the United States Postal Service located at 2419 West Monroe Street, in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Nancy B. Jefferson Post Office Building"; **Page 10841**

Reverend Milton R. Brunson Post Office Building: H.R. 2799, to redesignate the building of the United States Postal Service located at 324 South Laramie Street, in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Reverend Milton R. Brunson Post Office Building"; **Page 10843**

Religious Liberty and Charitable Donation Protection: H.R. 2604, to amend title 11, United States Code, to protect certain charitable contributions. Subsequently, the House passed in lieu S. 1244, a similar Senate passed bill—clearing the measure for the President. H.R. 2604 was then laid on the table. **Page 10844**

Ticket to Work and Self-Sufficiency Act—Vote Postponed: The House completed general debate on H.R. 3433, to amend the Social Security Act to establish a ticket to Work and Self-Sufficiency Program in the Social Security Administration to provide beneficiaries with disabilities meaningful opportunities to return to work and to extend Medicare coverage for such beneficiaries, and to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a tax credit for impairment-related work expenses. The vote on final passage was postponed until Thursday, June 4. **Page 10851**

H. Res. 450, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a voice vote. **Page 10851**

Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

Extension of Waiver Authority—China: Message wherein he transmitted his determination that a twelve month waiver extension of the application of subsections (a) and (b) of section 402 of the Trade Act of 1974 with respect to the People's Republic of China will substantially promote the objectives of section 402—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-262); **Page 10870**

Extension of Waiver Authority—Vietnam: Message wherein he transmitted his determination that a twelve month waiver extension of the application of subsections (a) and (b) of section 402 of the Trade Act of 1974 with respect to Vietnam will substantially promote the objectives of section 402—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-263); and **Page 10871**

Extension of Waiver Authority—Belarus: Message wherein he transmitted his determination that a twelve month waiver extension of the application of subsections (a) and (b) of section 402 of the Trade Act of 1974 with respect to the Republic of Belarus will substantially promote the objectives of section 402—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-264). **Page 10871**

Agricultural Research—Order of Business: Agreed by unanimous consent that it may be in order at any time to consider the conference report to accompany S. 1150, to ensure that federally funded agricultural research, extension, and education address high-priority concerns with national or multistate significance, to reform, extend, and eliminate certain agricultural research programs, and for other purposes; and that all points of order against the conference report and against its consideration be waived (except those arising under section 425 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974). **Page 10874**

Recess: The House recessed at 8:30 p.m. and reconvened at 11:55 p.m. **Page 10894**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 10822.

Referrals: S. 1800, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 85 Marconi Boulevard in Columbus, Ohio, as the "Joseph P. Kinneary United States Courthouse"; and S. 2032, to designate the Federal building in Juneau, Alaska, as the "Hurff A. Saunders Federal Building", were both referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. **Page 10896**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 10903.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 10871, 10872, and 10873. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 2:00 p.m. and adjourned at 12:01 a.m. on Thursday, June 4.

Committee Meetings

SELECTIVE AGRICULTURE EMBARGOES ACT

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Department Operations, Nutrition, and Foreign Agriculture held a hearing on H.R. 3654, Selective Agriculture Embargoes Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Lon Hatamiya, Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on National Security met in executive session to begin mark up of the Department of Defense appropriations for fiscal year 1999.

Will continue tomorrow.

HOW SANCTIONS CAN AFFECT U.S. POLICY INTERESTS

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on How Sanctions Can Affect U.S. Policy Interests. Testimony was heard from Stuart Eizenstat, Under Secretary, Economics, Business and Agricultural Affairs, Department of State; Jan Paul Acton, Assistant Director, Natural Resources and Commerce Division, CBO; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—FINANCIAL SERVICES INDUSTRIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Held an oversight hearing on Effects of Consolidation on the State of Competition in the Financial Services Industry. Testimony was heard from Laurence Meyer, member, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; John Nannes, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice; Bill Baer, Director, Bureau of Competition, FTC; and public witnesses.

CONCURRENT BUDGET RESOLUTION

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule on H. Con. Res. 284, revising the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 1998, establishing the congressional budget for fiscal year 1999 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2000, 2001, 2002, and 2003, providing three hours of general debate with two hours equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Budget, including one hour on economic goals and policies equally divided and controlled by Representative Saxton and Representa-

tive Stark. The rule provides for the consideration as an original concurrent resolution for the purpose of amendment the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in part 1 of the Rules Committee report. The rule makes in order only those amendments in the nature of a substitute printed in part 2 of the Rules Committee report to be offered only in the order specified, only by the Member designated, debatable for one hour each equally divided and controlled and shall not be subject to amendment. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments except that if an amendment in the nature of a substitute is adopted, it is not in order to consider further substitutes. The rule allows the chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the concurrent resolution, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. The rule permits the Chairman of the Budget Committee to offer amendments in the House to achieve mathematical consistency pursuant to section 305(a)(5) of the Budget Act. The rule suspends the application of House Rule XLIX (relating to the establishment of the statutory limit on the public debt) with respect to the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1999. Testimony was heard from Chairman Kasich and Representatives Scarborough, Spratt, Minge, and Stenholm.

TIANANMEN SQUARE

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing for consideration of H. Con. Res. 285, expressing the sense of the Congress that the President of the United States should reconsider his decision to be formally received in Tiananmen Square by the Government of the People's Republic of China, in the House. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the Majority Leader and a Member opposed. The rule provides one motion to recommit. Testimony was heard from Chairman Gilman.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT—RESTORING RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule providing for consideration of H.J. Res. 78, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States restoring religious freedom in the House. The rule provides that the joint resolution shall be considered as read, and that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the joint resolution shall be considered as adopted. The rule provides that the previous question shall be considered as ordered on the joint resolution, as amended, and on any further amendment thereto to final passage without intervening motion except as specified. The rule provides for one hour of debate on the joint resolution, as amended, equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule also provides for consid-

eration of a further amendment printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution, which may be offered only by the Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, and shall be separately debatable for one hour equally divided between the proponent and an opponent. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Canady, Istook, Scott, Edwards, Bishop, and Green.

FUTURE OF SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security continued hearings on the Future of Social Security for this Generation and the Next, examining proposals regarding personal accounts. Testimony was heard from Representative Smith of Michigan; Edward M. Gramlich, member, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; Fred T. Goldberg, Executive Director, Bipartisan Commission on Entitlement and Tax Reform; and public witnesses.

INDIAN NUCLEAR TESTING—PANEL FINDINGS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Panel Findings on the Indian Nuclear Testing. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

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Thursday, June 4, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 10942–11025

Measures Introduced: Five bills and six resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2130–2134, S.J. Res. 47–48, S. Con. Res. 101–102, and S. Res. 242–243. **Page 10994**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2132, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. (S. Rept. No. 200)

S. 1301, to amend title 11, United States Code, to provide for consumer bankruptcy protection, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 10994**

Measures Passed:

Commending UNLV Men's Golf Team: Senate agreed to S. Res. 243, to commend and congratulate the University of Nevada Las Vegas men's golf team on winning the team's first National Collegiate Athletic Association Championship. **Page 11024**

Recognizing Disabled American Veterans: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 102, recognizing disabled American veterans. **Page 11024**

Universal Tobacco Settlement Act: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1415, to reform and restructure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 2420), taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 10943, 10963**

Adopted:

Daschle (for Durbin) Amendment No. 2438 (to Amendment No. 2437, listed below), of a perfecting nature. (By 29 yeas to 66 nays, one responding present (Vote No. 149), Senate earlier failed to table the amendment.) **Pages 10950, 10982**

Pending:

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2433 (to Amendment No. 2420), to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers. **Page 10943**

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2434 (to Amendment No. 2433), in the nature of a substitute. **Page 10943**

Gramm Motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Finance with instructions to report back forthwith, with Amendment No. 2436, to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers, and to eliminate the marriage penalty reflected in the standard deduction and to ensure the earned income credit takes into account the elimination of such penalty. **Page 10943**

Daschle (for Durbin) Amendment No. 2437 (to Amendment No. 2436), relating to reductions in underage tobacco usage. **Page 10943**

Lott (for Coverdell) Modified Amendment No. 2451 (to Amendment No. 2437), to stop illegal drugs from entering the United States, to provide additional resources to combat illegal drugs, and to establish disincentives for teenagers to use illegal drugs. **Page 10983**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 2440) and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Monday, June 11, 1998. **Page 10964**

Senate will resume consideration of the bill on Friday, June 5, 1998.

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Yvette Kane, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania.

James M. Munley, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania.

Thomas J. Whelan, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California.

Edward L. Romero, of New Mexico, to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to Andorra. **Page 11025**

Messages From the President: **Page 10992**

Messages From the House: **Page 10993**

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Additional Statements: **Page 11015**

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—149) **Page 10983**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:45 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, June 5, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 11025.)

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following measures:

An original bill (S. 2132) making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999;

An original bill making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999; and

An original bill making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Hans Mark, of Texas, to be Director of Defense Research and Engineering, Mahlon Apgar IV, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of the Army for Installations, Logistics and Environment, and Joseph W. Westphal, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works, all of the Department of Defense.

DOD INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings to examine the national security implications of the future threats to the Department of Defense information systems, including the Year 2000 computer compliance problems and the proposed sale of the electromagnetic spectrum that affects the operation of the communications and weapon systems of the Department of Defense, after receiving testimony from Senator Bennett; and John J. Hamre, Deputy Secretary, and Lt. Gen. Kenneth A.

Minihan, USAF, Director, National Security Agency, both of the Department of Defense.

BOSNIA: DAYTON AGREEMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings on United States forces participating in NATO operations in Bosnia and to examine progress in achieving benchmarks in the civil implementation of the Dayton Agreement, after receiving testimony from Robert S. Gelbard, Special Representative to the President and Secretary of State for Bosnia and Kosovo; and Gen. Wesley K. Clark, USA, Supreme Allied Commander, Europe, Commander-in-Chief, U.S. European Command.

FHA

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Housing Opportunity and Community Development concluded oversight hearings to review the current status of the Federal Housing Administration, focusing on its role and mission, financial status, and reform efforts, after receiving testimony from Brian Chappelle, Mortgage Bankers Association of America, and Michael A. Quinn, Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae), both of Washington, D.C.; W. Roger Haughton, PMI Mortgage Insurance Company, San Francisco, California, on behalf of the Mortgage Insurance Companies of America; Charles J. Ruma, Davidson Phillips, Columbus, Ohio, on behalf of the National Association of Home Builders; Catherine B. Whatley, Jacksonville, Florida, on behalf of the National Association of Realtors; Robert R. McMillan, Long Island Housing Partnership, Inc., Hauppauge, New York; and Liz Ryan, National Training and Information Center, Chicago, Illinois.

FEDERAL SPENDING ON INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

Committee on the Budget: International Affairs Task Force concluded hearings to examine United States Government resources supporting American foreign policy goals and interests that fall outside the international affairs budget category, after receiving testimony from Benjamin F. Nelson, Director, International Relations and Trade Issues, National Security and International Affairs Division, General Accounting Office; and Larry Nowels, Specialist in Foreign Affairs, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress.

FCC

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications resumed oversight hearings on the Federal Communications Commission, focusing on activities of the Cable Services Bureau, receiving testimony from John E. Logan, Acting Chief, Cable Services Bureau, Federal Communications Commission.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

AIRLINE ALLIANCES

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Aviation concluded hearings to examine the competitive implications of domestic and international alliances among airlines, after receiving testimony from Charles A. Hunnicutt, Assistant Secretary of Transportation for Aviation and International Affairs; John M. Nannes, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice; John H. Anderson, Jr., Director, Transportation Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; Henry C. Joyner, American Airlines, Inc., Fort Worth, Texas; Scott Yohe, Delta Air Lines, Inc., and Hershel I. Kamen, Continental Airlines, Inc., both of Washington, D.C.; and John S. Strong, College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Virginia.

CLIMATE CHANGE

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded hearings to examine the Administration's proposal to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by establishing initiatives designed to increase energy efficiency, to comply with the Kyoto Protocol negotiated in December 1997 to address the international problem of global warming, after receiving testimony from Victor S. Rezendes, Director of Energy, Resources, and Science Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, and David Marwick, Assistant Director, Environmental Protection Issues, both of the General Accounting Office; Dirk Forrister, Chairman, White House Climate Change Task Force; David M. Gardiner, Assistant Administrator for Policy, Environmental Protection Agency; Dan Reicher, Assistant Secretary of Energy for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy; and John Karl Scholz, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Tax Analysis.

PUBLIC LAND MANAGEMENT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management resumed hearings on S. 1253, to provide to the Federal land management agencies the authority and capability to manage effectively the federal lands in accordance with the principles of multiple use and sustained yield, receiving testimony from Steven J. Appel, Washington Farm Bureau, Endicott, on behalf of the American Farm Bureau Federation; Margaret I. Johnson, Idaho Power Corp., Boise, on behalf of the Edison Electric Institute; Bruce Vincent, Libby, Montana, on behalf of the Alliance for America; and Bob Bierer, American Forest and Paper Association, Myra B. Hyde, on behalf of the National Cattlemen's Beef Association and the Public Lands Council, and David Finkenbinder, National Mining Association, all of Washington, D.C.

Hearings continue on Wednesday, June 17.

COMPETITION FOR FEDERAL COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring, and the District of Columbia concluded oversight hearings to examine the current Office of Management and Budget Circular A-76 policy for establishing a competition for commercial activities within the Federal government, after receiving testimony from J. Christopher Mihm, Associate Director, Federal Management and Workforce Issues, General Government Division, General Accounting Office; G. Edward DeSeve, Acting Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget; John Berry, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Policy, Management and Budget; and W. Scott Gould, Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Administration.

SMALL BUSINESS INNOVATION RESEARCH PROGRAM

Committee on Small Business: Committee held oversight hearings to review the status of the Small Business Innovation Research Program designed to increase private sector commercialization of technology, to increase small business participation in federal research and development, and to improve the Federal government's dissemination of information concerning the program, and proposed legislation to improve the small business sector's involvement in assistive technology research and development, receiving testimony from Charles W. Wessner, Program Director, Board on Science, Technology, and Economic Policy, National Research Council, Susan D. Kladiva, Associate Director, Energy, Resources, and Science Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; Robin Frank Risser, Picometrix, Inc., on behalf of the Small Business Technology Coalition, and Heidi N. Jacobus, Cybernet Systems Corporation, both of Ann Arbor, Michigan; Arthur P. Brigham, III, High Performance Materials Corp., Hermann, Missouri; and Chris W. Busch, Ronan, Montana.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NATIONAL SECURITY

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on the investigation of the impacts to United States national security from advanced satellite technology exports to China and Chinese efforts to influence U.S. policy, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 8 public bills, H.R. 3990-3997; and 3 resolutions, H.J. Res. 120-121 and H. Res. 456, were introduced. **Page 11129**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 457, providing for the consideration of the Senate amendments to H.R. 2709, to impose certain sanctions on foreign persons who transfer items contributing to Iran's efforts to acquire, develop, or produce ballistic missiles (H. Rept. 105-566); and

H. Res. 458, providing for the further consideration of H.R. 2183, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to reform the financing of campaigns for elections for Federal office, (H. Rept. 105-567). **Page 11129**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Dr. James D. Strauss of Lincoln, Illinois. **Page 11026**

Ticket to Work and Self-Sufficiency Act: The House passed H.R. 3433, to amend the Social Security Act to establish a ticket to Work and Self-Sufficiency Program in the Social Security Administration to provide beneficiaries with disabilities meaningful opportunities to return to work and to extend Medicare coverage for such beneficiaries, and to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a tax credit for impairment-related work expenses by a yeas and nays vote of 410 yeas to 1 nay with 2 voting "present", Roll No. 197. The House completed general debate and agreed to H. Res. 450, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill on June 3. **Page 11039**

Constitutional Amendment Restoring Religious Freedom: The House failed to pass H.J. Res. 78, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States restoring religious freedom by a recorded vote of 224 yeas to 203 noes (with two-thirds required for passage), Roll No. 201. **Page 11040**

By a recorded vote of 203 yeas to 223 noes, Roll No. 200, rejected the Scott motion to recommit the joint resolution to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report it back with an amendment in the nature of a substitute that proposes an amendment to the Constitution of the United States that states that "Congress shall make no laws respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof." **Page 11072**

On demand for a division of the question rejected the Bishop amendment, Part 1, that sought to, strike language to secure the right to "acknowledge God" and insert the right to "freedom of religion;" (rejected by a yeas and nays vote of 6 yeas to 419 nays, Roll No. 198) and

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On demand for a division of the question rejected the Bishop amendment, Part 2, that sought to strike lan-

guage dealing with the denial of "equal access to a benefit on account of religion" and insert "or otherwise compel or discriminate against religion." (rejected by a recorded vote of 23 ayes to 399 noes, Roll No. 199).

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H. Res. 453, the rule that provided for consideration of the joint resolution was agreed to earlier by yeas and nays vote of 248 yeas to 169 nays, Roll No. 196.

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Tiananmen Square Ceremony: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 285, expressing the sense of the Congress that the President of the United States should reconsider his decision to be formally received in Tiananmen Square by the Government of the People's Republic of China by yeas and nays vote of 305 yeas to 116 nays, Roll No. 202.

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H. Res. 454, the rule that provided for consideration of the concurrent resolution was agreed to by a voice vote.

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Agricultural Research: The House agreed to the conference report on S. 1150, to ensure that federally funded agricultural research, extension, and education address high-priority concerns with national or multistate significance, and to reform, extend, and eliminate certain agricultural research programs by a yeas and nays vote of 364 yeas to 50 nays, Roll No. 204—clearing the measure for the President.

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Earlier, a point of order was raised under Section 425 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, regarding unfunded intergovernmental mandates. Pursuant to Section 426 of the Congressional Budget Act, the House agreed to consider the conference report by a yeas and nays vote of 324 yeas to 91 nays, Roll No. 203.

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The conference report was considered pursuant to the unanimous consent order of June 3.

Order of Business—User Fee Bill: Agreed by unanimous consent that it be in order at any time to consider H.R. 3989, to provide for the enactment of user fees proposed by the President in his budget submission under section 1105(a) of title 31, United States Code, for fiscal year 1999, that the bill be considered as read for amendment; that the amendment placed at the desk, adding at the end of the bill Title IV, Tax Increases, be considered as adopted; and that the previous question be considered as ordered on the bill, as amended, to final passage without intervening motion, except, one hour of debate on the bill, as amended, equally divided and controlled by Representative Solomon of New York and the Minority Leader or his designee; and one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

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Budget Resolution: The House completed general debate on H. Con. Res. 284, revising the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 1998, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 1999, and set-

ting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2000, 2001, 2002, and 2003. Further consideration will resume on Friday, June 5.

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H. Res. 455, the rule that is providing for consideration of the concurrent resolution was agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 216 yeas to 197 nays, Roll No. 205.

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Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 11030.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Seven yeas and nays votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 11038, 11039, 11071, 11072, 11073, 11074, 11085, 11089, 11096, and 11107. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 1:33 a.m. on Friday, June 5.

Committee Meetings

FOREST SERVICE—OFF-BUDGET FUNDS

Committee on Agriculture: Held a hearing on Review of off-budget funds administered by the Forest Service. Testimony was heard from James J. Meissner, Associate Director, Energy, Resources, and Science Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, GAO; Ron Stewart, Deputy Chief, Programs and Legislation, Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on National Security met in executive session and approved for full Committee action the Department of Defense appropriations for fiscal year 1999.

U.S. HOLOCAUST ASSETS COMMISSION ACT

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Ordered reported amended H.R. 3662, U.S. Holocaust Assets Commission Act of 1998.

Prior to this action, the Committee held a hearing on H.R. 3662. Testimony was heard from Stuart Eizenstat, Under Secretary, Economics, Business and Agricultural Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

ELECTRONIC COMMERCE

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials held a hearing on Electronic Commerce: New Methods for Making Electronic Purchases. Testimony was heard from Roger W. Ferguson, Jr., member, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Ordered reported amended the following measures: H. Res. 401, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that social promotion in America's schools should be ended and can be

ended through the use of high-quality, proven programs and practices; H. Res. 399, urging the Congress and the President to work to fully fund the Federal Government's obligation under the Individual with Disabilities Education Act; H.R. 3892, English Language Fluency Act; H. Res. 417, regarding the importance of fathers in the raising and development of their children; H.R. 3874, WIC Reauthorization Amendments of 1998; and H.R. 3254, IDEA Technical Amendments Act of 1998.

The Committee also approved Contract Agreements providing services to the Committee regarding its oversight investigation of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters election.

PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA—SALE OF BODY PARTS

Committee on International Relations: Committee on Government Reform and Oversight held a joint hearing on the Sale of Body Parts by the People's Republic of China. Testimony was heard from Representative Linda Smith; and public witnesses.

INDONESIA—U.S. POLICY OPTIONS

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific held a hearing on U.S. Policy Options Toward Indonesia: What We Can Expect; How We Can Help. Testimony was heard from Aurelia Brazael, Deputy Assistant Secretary, East Asia and the Pacific, Department of State; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3891, Trademark Anticounterfeiting Act of 1998.

The Subcommittee also began consideration of H.R. 3789, Class Action Jurisdiction Act. of 1998.

IMMIGRATION AND NATIONALITY ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims held a hearing on H.R. 225, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to permit certain aliens who are at least 55 years of age to obtain a 4-year non-immigrant visitor's visa. Testimony was heard from Representative McCollum; Paul Virtue, General Counsel, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

DEPOT MAINTENANCE WORKLOAD COMPETITION

Committee on National Security: Held a hearing on Competition for Depot Maintenance Workload. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: J.S. Gansler, Under Secretary, (Acquisition and Technology); F. Whitten Peters, Acting Secretary; and Darleen A. Druyun, Principle Deputy Assistant Sec-

retary (Acquisition and Management), both with the Department of the Air Force.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; OVERSIGHT—FISHING VESSELS U.S. OWNERSHIP

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 2291, to amend the Fish and Wildlife Improvement Act of 1978 to enable the Secretary of the Interior to more effectively utilize the proceeds of sales of certain items; H.R. 3460, to approve a governing international fishery agreement between the United States and the Republic of Latvia; and H.R. 3498, amended, Dungeness Crab Conservation and Management Act.

The Subcommittee also held an oversight hearing on United States Ownership of Fishing Vessels. Testimony was heard from Senator Stevens; David Evans, Deputy Director, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, Department of Commerce; Rear Adm. Robert C. North, USCG., Assistant Commandant, Marine Safety and Environmental Protection, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

BIPARTISAN CAMPAIGN INTEGRITY ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the amendments printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying H.R. 2183, Bipartisan Campaign Integrity Act, if offered by the Member designated in the report. The rule provides that the amendment shall be considered as read.

IRAN MISSILE PROLIFERATION SANCTIONS ACT

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by voice vote, a closed rule on H.R. 2709, Iran Missile Proliferation Sanctions Act of 1997, providing for a single motion offered by the chairman of the Committee on International Relations or his designee to concur in each of the Senate amendments. The rule provides that the Senate amendments and the motion shall be considered as read. The rule provides one hour of debate in the House equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on International Relations.

OVERSIGHT—INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Technology concluded oversight hearings on International Standards Part II: The Impact of Standards on the Digital Economy. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

KYOTO PROTOCOL

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing on the Kyoto Protocol: The Undermining of American Prosperity? Testimony was heard from Janet L. Yellen, Chair, Council of Economic Advisers; and public witnesses.

SHIP SCRAPPING ACTIVITIES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing on Ship Scrapping Activities of the United States Government. Testimony was heard from Patricia Rivers, Chief, Environmental Restoration, Corps of Engineers, U.S. Army, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

FEDERAL BUILDINGS SECURITY

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Economic Development held a hearing on Security in Federal Buildings. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the GSA: Robert Peck, Commissioner; and Eugene Waszily, Deputy Inspector General, Audits; Bernard Ungar, Director, Government Business Operations Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

WETLANDS RESTORATION AND IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 1290, Wetlands Restoration and Improvement Act.

VETERANS LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Health approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 3980, Persian Gulf War Veterans' Health Care and Research Act of 1998; H.R. 3336, to name the Department of Veterans Affairs medical center in Gainesville, Florida, as the "Malcolm Randall Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center"; and H.R. 2775, to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs medical center in Aspinwall, Pennsylvania, as the "H. John Heinz III Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center."

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Senate**Chamber Action**

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Measures Introduced: Eight bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2135-2142, S.J. Res. 49, and S. Res. 244. **Page 11261**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1275, to implement further the Act (Public Law 94-241) approving the Covenant to Establish a Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in Political Union with the United States of America, with an

amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105-201)

S. 1693, to renew, reform, reinvigorate, and protect the National Park System, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105-202)

H.R. 1460, to allow for election of the Delegate from Guam by other than separate ballot. (S. Rept. No. 105-203)

S. 2137, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. (S. Rept. No. 105-204)

S. 2069, to permit the leasing of mineral rights, in any case in which the Indian owners of an allotment that is located within the boundaries of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation and held in trust by the United States have executed leases to more than 50 percent of the mineral estate of that allotment, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105-205)

S. 2138, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998. (S. Rept. No. 105-206)

S. 1279, to amend the Indian Employment, Training and Related Services Demonstration Act of 1992 to provide for the transfer of services and personnel from the Bureau of Indian Affairs to the Office of Self-Governance, to emphasize the need for job creation on Indian reservations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105-207) **Page 11261**

Measures Passed:

Tiananmen Square Massacre Anniversary: Senate agreed to S. Res. 244, expressing the sense of the Senate on the ninth anniversary of the massacre of pro-democracy demonstrators on Tiananmen Square by military forces acting under orders from the Government of the People's Republic of China. **Page 11247**

Felony Violations for Failure to Pay Child Support: Senate passed H.R. 3811, to establish felony violations for the failure to pay legal child support obligations, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 11302**

Universal Tobacco Settlement Act: Senate continued consideration of S. 1415, to reform and restructure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 2420), taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Page 11236**

Pending:

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2433 (to Amendment No. 2420), to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers. **Page 11236**

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2434 (to Amendment No. 2433), in the nature of a substitute. **Page 11236**

Gramm Motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Finance with instructions to report back forthwith, with Amendment No. 2436, to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers, and to eliminate the marriage penalty reflected in the standard deduction and to ensure the earned income credit takes into account the elimination of such penalty. **Page 11236**

Daschle (for Durbin) Amendment No. 2437 (to Amendment No. 2436), relating to reductions in underage tobacco usage. **Page 11236**

Lott (for Coverdell) Modified Amendment No. 2451 (to Amendment No. 2437), to stop illegal drugs from entering the United States, to provide additional resources to combat illegal drugs, and to establish disincentives for teenagers to use illegal drugs. **Page 11236**

A second motion was entered to close further debate on the modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 2440) and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion could occur on Wednesday, June 10, 1998. **Page 11239**

Senate will resume consideration of the bill on Tuesday, June 9, 1998.

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Richard W. Roberts, of the District of Columbia, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia. **Page 11303**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Robert S. Raymar, of New Jersey, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit. **Page 11303**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 3:31 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, June 9, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page 11303.)

Committee Meetings

NATIONAL SECURITY

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee continued closed hearings to examine the investigation of the impacts to United States national security from advanced satellite technology exports to China and Chinese efforts to influence U.S. policy, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Hearings continue on Wednesday, June 10.

House of Representatives

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Bills Introduced: 17 public bills, H.R. 3998–4014; 1 private bill, H.R. 4015; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 287, and H. Res. 459–460, were introduced. **Page 11228**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 2411, to provide for a land exchange involving the Cape Cod National Seashore and to extend the authority for the Cape Cod National Seashore Advisory Commission, amended (H. Rept. 105–568); and

Committee on Resources report entitled "Abuse of Power: the Hardrock Bonding Rule" (H. Rept. 105–569); and

H.R. 3849, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to establish a national policy against Federal and State regulation of Internet access and online services, and to exercise congressional jurisdiction over interstate and foreign commerce by establishing a moratorium on the imposition of exactions that would interfere with the free flow of commerce conducted over the Internet, amended (H. Rept. 105–570 Part 1). **Page 11228**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Hefley to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 11153**

User Fee Bill: The House failed to pass H.R. 3989, to provide for the enactment of user fees proposed by the President in his budget submission under section 1105(a) of title 31, United States Code, for fiscal year 1999 by a recorded vote of 421 noes with none voting "aye" and 1 voting "present", Roll No. 207. **Page 11153**

Rejected the Moakley motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Ways and Means with instructions to report the bill back forthwith with an amendment in the nature of a substitute that specifies certain user fees to be enacted by a yea and nay vote of 416 nays with none voting "yea" and 1 voting "present", Roll No. 206. **Page 11171**

The bill was considered pursuant to the unanimous consent order of June 4. Pursuant to the order the amendment adding a section entitled Tax Increases was considered as adopted. **Page 11153**

Budget Resolution: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 284, revising the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 1998, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 1999, and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2000, 2001, 2002, and 2003 by yea and nay vote of 216 yeas to 204 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 210. **Page 11174**

Rejected:

The Neumann amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to limit funding growth to less than the rate of inflation; to designate 50 percent of any additional revenues toward tax relief and 50 percent toward the national debt; and to increase defense spending over five years to keep pace with the rate of inflation (rejected by a recorded vote of 158 ayes to 262 noes, Roll No. 208);

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The Spratt amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to provide for tax credits for child care, enact a patient bill of rights, assist school modernization financing, reserve all budget surpluses until Congress and the President agree on legislation relating to Social Security solvency; and maintain the Transportation Equity Act funding levels (rejected by a recorded vote of 164 ayes to 257 noes, Roll No. 208);

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H. Res. 455, the rule that is providing for consideration of the concurrent resolution was agreed to by a yeay and nay vote of 216 yeas to 197 nays, Roll No. 205.

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Legislative Program: The Majority Leader announced the legislative program for the week of June 8.

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Meeting Hour—Tuesday, June 9: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 9, 1998 for Morning Hour debate.

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Meeting Hour—Wednesday, June 10: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Tuesday, June 9, it adjourn to meet at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 10.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday Rule be dispensed with on Wednesday, June 10.

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President of the Republic of Korea: Agreed that it may be in order at any time on Wednesday, June 10, 1998, for the Speaker to declare a recess, subject to the call of the Chair, for the purpose of receiving in Joint Meeting His Excellency Kim Dae-Jung, President of the Republic of Korea.

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Senate Messages: Message received today from the Senate appears on page 11153.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yeay and nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 11173, 11174, 11191, 11206, and 11213. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 4:26 p.m.

Committee Meetings

ELECTRONIC COMMERCE

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment held a hearing on Electronic Commerce: The

Promise of Better Healthcare Through Telemedicine. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

WIPO COPYRIGHT TREATIES IMPLEMENTATION ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on H.R. 2281, WIPO Copyright Treaties Implementation Act. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth, and Families held a hearing on Community Services Block Grant. Testimony was heard from Michael Micciche, Director, Department of Community Services and Development, State of California; Carlton Mitchell, Deputy Commissioner, Community Development, Department of Youth and Community Development, New York City; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—DEBT COLLECTION IMPROVEMENT ACT IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held an oversight hearing on the Implementation of the Debt Collection Improvement Act. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Jerry Hawke, Under Secretary; Richard Gregg, Commissioner, Financial Management Service; and Richard Calahan, Acting Inspector General; Gary Engel, Associate Director, Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO; the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Mark Catlett, Chief Financial Officer; and Todd Grams, Chief Financial Officer, Veterans Health Administration; and Nelson Toye, Deputy Comptroller, Department of Defense.

OVERSIGHT—HUD CONTRACTING

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Human Resources held an oversight hearing on HUD Contracting: Vulnerabilities and Proposed Solutions. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Housing and Urban Affairs: Susan Gaffney, Inspector General; and Stephen Carberry, Chief Procurement Officer; Stanley J. Czerwinski, Associate Director, Housing and Community Development Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

DRUG TESTING AND DRUG TREATMENT—CUTTING EDGE ISSUES

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security, International Relations, and Criminal Justice held a hearing on Cutting Edge Issues in Drug Testing and Drug Treatment. Testimony was heard from Representative Solomon; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Ordered reported amended H. Res. 392, relating to the importance of Japanese-American relations and the urgent need for Japan to more effectively address its economic and financial problems and open its markets by eliminating informal barriers to trade and investment, thereby making a more effective contribution to leading the Asian region out of its current financial crisis, insuring against a global recession, and reinforcing regional stability and security.

The Committee also adopted a motion urging the Chairman to request that the following measures be considered on the Suspension Calendar: H. Con. Res. 270, amended, acknowledging the positive role of Taiwan in the current Asian financial crisis and affirming the support of the American people for peace and stability on the Taiwan Strait and security for Taiwan's democracy; and H. Res. 404, commemorating 100 years of relations between the people of the United States and the people of the Philippines.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 3745, amended, Money Laundering Act of 1998; and H.R. 3898, Speed Trafficking Life in Prison Act of 1998.

Joint Meetings

EMPLOYMENT-UNEMPLOYMENT

Joint Economic Committee: Committee held hearings to examine the employment-unemployment situation for May, receiving testimony from Katharine G. Abraham, Commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

Tuesday, June 9, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 11330–11602

Measures Introduced: Nine bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2143–2151, and S. Res. 245. **Page 11381**

Measures Passed:

Bass Harbor, Maine Navigation Project: Senate passed S. 1531, to deauthorize certain portions of the project for navigation, Bass Harbor, Maine. **Page 11600**

East Boothbay Harbor, Maine Project: Senate passed S. 1532, to amend the Water Resources Development Act of 1996 to deauthorize the remainder of the project at East Boothbay Harbor, Maine. **Page 11600**

Universal Tobacco Settlement Act: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1415, to reform and restructure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 2420), taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 11330, 11358**

Adopted:

By 52 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 151), Lott (for Coverdell) Modified Amendment No. 2451 (to Amendment No. 2437), to stop illegal drugs from entering the United States, to provide additional resources to combat illegal drugs, and to establish disincentives for teenagers to use illegal drugs. **Pages 11330, 11350, 11358, 11369**

Rejected:

By 45 yeas to 53 nays (Vote No. 152), Kerry (for Daschle) Amendment No. 2634 (to Amendment No. 2437), of a perfecting nature. **Page 11363**

Pending:

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2433 (to Amendment No. 2420), to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers. **Page 11330**

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2434 (to Amendment No. 2433), in the nature of a substitute. **Page 11330**

Gramm Motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Finance with instructions to report back forthwith, with Amendment No. 2436, to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers, and to eliminate the marriage penalty reflected in the standard deduction and to ensure the earned income credit takes into account the elimination of such penalty. **Page 11330**

Daschle (for Durbin) Amendment No. 2437 (to Amendment No. 2436), relating to reductions in underage tobacco usage. **Page 11330**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 42 yeas to 56 nays (Vote No. 150), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to agree to close further debate on the modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 2440). **Page 11348**

A third motion was entered to close further debate on the modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 2440) and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion would occur on Thursday, June 11, 1998. **Page 11333**

A vote on a second cloture motion will occur Wednesday, June 10, 1998.

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaty:

Inter-American Convention Against Illicit Manufacturing and Trafficking of Firearms, Ammunition, Explosives, and Other Related Materials (Treaty Doc. 105-49).

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and was ordered to be printed. **Page 11601**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report concerning the national emergency with respect to weapons of mass destruction; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM-137). **Page 11377**

Transmitting the report entitled "International Crime Control Act of 1998"; to the Committee on the Judiciary. (PM-138). **Page 11377**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations: Joseph W. Westphal, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army.

Mahlon Apgar, IV, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army.

Hans Mark, of Texas, to be Director of Defense Research and Engineering. **Page 11601**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations: William C. Apgar, Jr., of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Michael H. Trujillo, of New Mexico, to be Director of the Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services.

8 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

42 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Army, Marine Corps. **Page 11602**

Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nomination:

William C. Apgar, Jr., of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, vice Michael A. Stegman, resigned, which was sent to the Senate on February 25, 1998. **Page 11602**

Messages From the President: **Page 11377**

Messages From the House: **Page 11378**

Measures Placed on Calendar: **Page 11378**

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Additional Statements: **Page 11594**

Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—152) **Pages 11348, 11370**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:10 p.m., until 11 a.m., on Wednesday, June 10, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 11601.)

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—FOREIGN OPERATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the U.S. Agency for International Development, receiving testimony from J. Brian Atwood, Administrator, Agency for International Development.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, June 16.

APPROPRIATIONS—VA/HUD

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Rebecca M. Blank, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisers, and Michael J. Copps, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Trade Development, and Awilda R. Marquez, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary and Director General of the United States and Foreign Commercial Service, both of the Department of Commerce, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Copps was introduced by Senator Hollings and Ms. Marquez was introduced by Senator Sarbanes.

TREATY—COMBATING BRIBERY OF FOREIGN OFFICIALS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the Convention on Combating Bribery of Foreign Public Officials in International Business Transactions, adopted at Paris on November 21, 1997, by a conference held under the auspices of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, signed in Paris on December 17, 1997, by the United States and 32 other nations (Treaty Doc. 105-43), after receiving testimony from Stuart E. Eizenstat, Under Secretary of State for Economic, Business and Agricultural Affairs; and Fritz F. Heimann, Transparency International USA, Washington, D.C.

ACTIVE AGING

Special Committee on Aging: On Monday, June 9, committee concluded hearings to examine the international trend of increased life expectancy, focusing on international programs, policies and research that encourage active aging, after receiving testimony from Jeanette C. Takamura, Assistant Secretary for Aging, and Richard J. Hodes, Director, National Institute on Aging, National Institutes of Health, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; Robert N. Butler, New York, New York, Lady Sally Greengross, London, England, and Françoise Forette, Paris, France, all on behalf of the International Longevity Center; Yuzo Okamoto, Kobe City College of Nursing, Kobe, Japan; A.H.B. de Bono, International Institute on Aging-Malta, Oxford, England; and Alvar Svanborg, University of Gothenburg, Sweden, and University of Illinois, Chicago.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 9 public bills, H.R. 4016–4024; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 288–289 and H. Res. 463–464, were introduced. **Page 11687**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 3069, to extend the Advisory Council on California Indian Policy to allow the Advisory Council to advise Congress on the implementation of the proposals and recommendations of the Advisory Council (H. Rept. 105–571);

H. Res. 461, providing for consideration of H.R. 2888, amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to exempt from the minimum wage recordkeeping and overtime compensation requirements certain specialized employees (H. Rept. 105–572);

H. Res. 462, providing for consideration of H.R. 3150, to amend title 11 of the United States Code, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 105–573); and

H.R. 3824, amending the Fastener Quality Act to exempt from its coverage certain fasteners approved by the Federal Aviation Administration for use in aircraft, amended (H. Rept. 105–574 Part 1). **Page 11686**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Ballenger to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 11603**

Recess: The House recessed at 1:02 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m. **Page 11607**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Kathleen Baskin of Dallas, Texas. **Page 11607**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Importance of Fathers in Child Development: H. Res. 417, amended, regarding the importance of fathers in the raising and development of their children (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 415 yeas with none voting “nay,” Roll No. 212). Agreed to amend the title; **Page 11609**

Federal Agency Financial Management: H. Res. 447, amended, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding financial management by Federal agencies (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 415 yeas with none voting “nay,” Roll No. 213); **Page 11614**

Lake Chelan National Recreation Area and Wenatchee National Forest: H.R. 3520, adjust the boundaries of the Lake Chelan National Recreation Area and the adjacent Wenatchee National Forest in the State of Washington; **Page 11619**

National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom: H.R. 1635, amended, to establish within the United States National Park Service the National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom program (passed by a ye and nay vote of 415 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 214); **Pages 11620, 11656**

Memorial to George Mason: S. 423, to extend the legislative authority for the Board of Regents of Gunston Hall to establish a memorial to honor George Mason—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 11627**

U.S. Holocaust Assets Commission Act: H.R. 3662, to establish a commission to examine issues pertaining to the disposition of Holocaust-era assets in the United States before, during, and after World War II, and to make recommendations to the President on further action. Subsequently, the House passed S. 1900, a similar Senate-passed bill, after amending it include the text of H.R. 3662 as passed the House. H.R. 3662 was then laid on the table; **Page 11628**

100th Anniversary of United States and Philippines Relationship: H. Res. 404, commemorating 100 years of relations between the people of the United States and the people of the Philippines; and **Page 11634**

The Positive Role of Taiwan in Asian Financial Crisis: H. Con. Res. 270, amended, acknowledging the positive role of Taiwan in the current Asian financial crisis and affirming the support of the American people for peace and stability on the Taiwan Strait and security for Taiwan's democracy (agreed to by a recorded vote of 411 yeas with none voting “no,” Roll No. 215). Agreed to amend the title. **Pages 11640, 11657**

Iran Missile Proliferation Sanctions Act of 1997: The House agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 2709, to impose certain sanctions on foreign persons who transfer items contributing to Iran's efforts to acquire, develop,

or produce ballistic missiles by a yea and nay vote of 392 yeas to 22 nays with 3 voting "present", Roll No. 211—clearing the measure for the President. **Page 11646**

Earlier, the House agreed to H. Res. 457, the rule that provided for consideration of the Senate amendments to the bill by a voice vote. **Page 11644**

Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

National Emergency Re Weapons of Mass Destruction: Message wherein he transmitted his report concerning the threat posed by the proliferation of nuclear, biological, and chemical weapons ("weapons of mass destruction")—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-271); and

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International Crime Control: Message wherein he transmitted his proposed legislation entitled the "International Crime Control Act of 1998"—referred to the Committees on Judiciary, International Relations, Ways and Means, Commerce, Transportation and Infrastructure, Banking and Financial Services, and Government Reform and Oversight and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-272).

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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 11603.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 11688.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea and nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 11654, 11655, 11656, and 11657. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 11:55 p.m.

Committee Meetings

WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on H.R. 3844, Wireless Communications and Public Safety Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Jeffrey Michael, Chief, Emergency Medical Services Division, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation; David Bibb, Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Governmentwide Real Property Policy, GSA; and public witnesses.

HEAD START

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth, and Families held a hearing on Head Start. Testimony was heard from Representatives Mica and Sanchez; Carlotta Joyner, Director, Education and Employment Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

ELECTRONIC FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AMENDMENT IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held a hearing on "Implementation of the Electronic Freedom of Information Amendments of 1996: Is Access to Government Information Improving?" Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Richard L. Huff, Co-Director, Office of Information and Privacy; and John E. Collingwood, Assistant Director, Office of Public and Congressional Affairs, FBI; Patricia M. Riep-Dice, Freedom of Information Officer, NASA; Abel Lopez, Acting Director, Freedom of Information Division, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

ACTS OF ECOTERRORISM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime held a hearing on acts of ecoterrorism committed by radical environmental organizations. Testimony was heard from Representative Riggs; and public witnesses.

FEDERAL LAND USE POLICIES IMPACT ON RURAL COMMUNITIES

Committee on Resources: Held an oversight hearing on the Impact of Federal Land Use Policies on Rural Communities. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

O&C LANDS PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands held a hearing on H.R. 3542, O&C Lands Protection Act. Testimony was heard from Carson Culp, Assistant Director, Minerals Realty and Resource Protection, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; and a public witness.

BANKRUPTCY REFORM ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a vote of 9 to 4, a structured rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 3150, Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1998. The rule waives section 303(a) of the Congressional Budget Act (prohibiting consideration of legislation, as reported, providing new budget authority, changes in revenues, or changes in the public debt for a fiscal year until the budget resolution for that year has been agreed to) against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the bill be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered by title and that each title shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

The rule provides that no amendment to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be in order except those printed in the Rules Committee re-

port, which may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, and shall not be subject to amendment. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. The rule allows for the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Gekas, McCollum, Wolf, English of Pennsylvania, Nadler, Jackson-Lee, Delahunt, Moran of Virginia, Velázquez, Bentsen, Blumenauer, Davis of Illinois and Kilpatrick.

SALES INCENTIVE COMPENSATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 2888, Sales Incentive Compensation Act. The rule makes in order the Committee on Education and the Workforce amendment in the nature of a substitute as an original bill for amendment purposes, which shall be considered as read. The rule allows for the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Goodling; and Representatives Fawell and Payne.

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Wednesday, June 10, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 11713–11846

Measures Introduced: Four bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2152–2155, S.J. Res. 50 and 51, S. Res. 246, and S. Con. Res. 103. **Page 11750**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 2614, to improve the reading and literacy skills of children and families by improving in-service instructional practices for teachers who teach reading, to stimulate the development of more high-quality family literacy programs, to support extended learning-time opportunities for children, to ensure that children can read well and independently not later than third grade, with an

amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–208)

H. Con. Res. 131, expressing the sense of Congress regarding the ocean, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–209)

S.J. Res. 41, approving the location of a Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial in the Nation's Capital. (S. Rept. No. 105–210)

S. 1683, to transfer administrative jurisdiction over part of the Lake Chelan National Recreation Area from the Secretary of the Interior to the Secretary of Agriculture for inclusion in the Wenatchee National Forest, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Measures Passed:

Senate Chamber Photograph: Senate agreed to S. Res. 246, authorizing the taking of a photograph in the Chamber of the United States Senate. **Page 11831**

International Year of the Ocean: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 131, acknowledging 1998 as the International Year of the Ocean and expressing these sense of the Congress regarding the ocean, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 11831**

Federal Reports Elimination Act: Senate passed S. 1364, to eliminate unnecessary and wasteful Federal reports, after agreeing to committee amendments, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 11832**

Collins (for Levin/McCain) Amendment No. 2570, to provide for additional reports. **Page 11838**

Indian Mineral Leasing: Senate passed S. 2069, to permit the mineral leasing of Indian land located within the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation in any case in which there is consent from a majority interest in the parcel of land under consideration for lease, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Universal Tobacco Settlement Act: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1415, to reform and restructure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 2420), taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 11713, 11717, 11719, 11722**

Adopted:

Gramm Modified Amendment No. 2686 (to Amendment No. 2437), to eliminate the marriage penalty reflected in the standard deduction, to ensure the earned income credit takes into account the elimination of such penalty, and to provide a full deduction for health insurance costs of self-employed individuals. (By 48 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 154), Senate failed to table the amendment.) **Page 11743**

Rejected:

Daschle Amendment No. 2688 (to Amendment No. 2437), to provide a deduction for two-earner married couples, and to allow self-employed individuals a 100-percent deduction for health care insurance costs. (By 55 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 155), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Page 11744**

Pending:

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2433 (to Amendment No. 2420), to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers. **Page 11713**

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2434 (to Amendment No. 2433), in the nature of a substitute. **Page 11713**

Gramm Motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Finance with instructions to report back forthwith, with Amendment No. 2436, to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers, and to eliminate the marriage penalty reflected in the standard deduction and to ensure the earned income credit takes into account the elimination of such penalty. **Page 11713**

Daschle (for Durbin) Amendment No. 2437 (to Amendment No. 2436), relating to reductions in under-age tobacco usage. **Page 11713**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 43 yeas to 55 nays (Vote No. 153), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to agree to close further debate on the modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 2440). **Page 11713**

A vote on a third cloture motion will occur Thursday, June 11, 1998.

U.S. Holocaust Assets Commissions Act: Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to S. 1900, to establish a commission to examine issues pertaining to the disposition of Holocaust-era assets in the United States before, during, and after World War II, and to make recommendations to the President on further action, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 11844**

Messages From the House: **Page 11747**

Measures Referred: **Page 11747**

Measures Placed on Calendar: **Page 11748**

Petitions: **Page 11748**

Statements on Introduced Bills: **Page 11750**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page 11766**

Amendments Submitted: **Page 11768**

Authority for Committees: **Page 11827**

Additional Statements: **Page 11828**

Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—155) **Pages 11713, 11744, 11746**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 11 a.m., and adjourned at 7:44 p.m., until 9:45 p.m., on Thursday, June

11, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 11846.)

Committee Meetings

LIVESTOCK INDUSTRY

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings to examine economic issues facing the red meat industry, including production, price and profit prospects for cattle, hog and sheep producers, and trends in export markets, after receiving testimony from Keith Collins, Chief Economist, Department of Agriculture; David C. Nelson, Credit Suisse First Boston, New York, New York; Richard Kjerstad, South Dakota Farm Bureau Federation, Huron, on behalf of the American Farm Bureau Federation; George Swan, Rogerson, Idaho, on behalf of the National Cattlemen's Beef Association; Donna Reifschneider, Smithton, Illinois, on behalf of the National Pork Producers Council; Lorin Moench Jr., American Sheep Industry Association, Englewood, Colorado; Leland Swenson, National Farmers Union, Aurora, Colorado; J. Patrick Boyle, American Meat Institute, Arlington, Virginia; and Herman Schumacher, Herried, South Dakota.

APPROPRIATIONS—DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the District of Columbia held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the District of Columbia, receiving testimony from Mayor Marion S. Barry, Jr., Linda W. Cropp, Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, Andrew F. Brimmer, Chairman, Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority, Arlene Ackerman, Superintendent and Chief Executive Officer, District of Columbia Public Schools, and Camille Barnett, Chief Management Officer, City of the District of Columbia, all of the District of Columbia.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

YEAR 2000 READINESS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Financial Services and Technology concluded hearings to examine federal efforts to promote Year 2000 readiness in the securities industry, the capital markets, and their underlying industries, including the Securities and Exchange Commission's guidance as to what public companies should consider when disclosing information about their Year 2000 readiness, after receiving testimony from Laura S. Unger, Commissioner, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission; Steven L. Hock, Triaxsys Research, Missoula, Montana; Edward Yardeni, Deutsche Bank Securities, and Ed Bankole, Moody's Investors Service, both of New York, New York; and Lynn A. Stout, Georgetown University Law Center, and Matthew J. Schlesinger, McKenna & Cuneo, both of Washington, D.C.

AUTHORIZATION—FCC

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications concluded hearings on proposed legislation to reform and authorize funds for the Federal Communications Commission, focusing on the implementation of the schools and libraries program designed to connect schools and libraries to broadband technology, after receiving testimony from William E. Kennard, Chairman, and Susan Ness, Harold W. Furchtgott-Roth, Michael Powell, and Gloria Tristani, each a Commissioner, all of the Federal Communications Commission.

CAMBODIA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs concluded hearings to examine United States policy strategy on democracy in Cambodia and the outlook for the election scheduled for July 26, 1998, after receiving testimony from Stanley O. Roth, Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs; Stephen Heder, University of London, London, England; Sidney Jones, Human Rights Watch, New York, New York; and Janet E. Heining, American University, of Washington, D.C.

U.S. INFRASTRUCTURE PROTECTION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information resumed hearings to examine the need for a national strategy and proactive policies to protect the critical infrastructures of the United States, focusing on the role of the FBI's National Infrastructure Protection Center, receiving testimony from Michael A. Vatis, Deputy Assistant Director, and Chief, National Infrastructure Protection Center, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice.

Also, committee met to receive a briefing on the Presidential Decision Directive (PDD-63) aimed at countering attacks on U.S. critical infrastructure, and the Department of Defense exercise known as "Eligible Receiver" which simulated an attack on government computers to test the security of their system from Richard Clarke, Senior Director, National Security Council; and certain officials of the National Security Agency, Department of Defense.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

PACIFIC NW EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENT/INTERSTATE FOREST FIRE PROTECTION COMPACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution, Federalism, and Property Rights approved for full committee consideration the following measures:

S.J. Res. 35, granting the consent of Congress to the Pacific Northwest Emergency Management Arrangement; and

S. 1134, granting the consent and approval of Congress to an interstate forest fire protection compact.

INDIAN SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded oversight hearings on the implementation of the Bureau of Indian Affairs' school facility improvement program, after receiving testimony from John Berry, Assistant Secretary for Policy, Management and Budget, and Kevin Gover, Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs, both of the Department of the Interior; Thomas E. Atcitty, Navajo Nation, Window Rock, Arizona; Jon Whirlwind Horse, Dakota Area Consortium of Tribal Schools, Inc./Loneman School Corporation, Oglala, South Dakota; and Lorraine P. Edmo, National Indian Education Association, Alexandria, Virginia.

NATIONAL SECURITY

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee resumed hearings on the investigation of the impacts to United States national security from advanced satellite technology exports to China and Chinese efforts to influence United States policy, receiving testimony from Katherine V. Schinasi, Associate Director, Defense Acquisitions Issues, National Security and International Affairs Division, General Accounting Office.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 4025-4034, were introduced. **Page 11998**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 2742, to provide for the transfer of public lands to certain California Indian Tribes, amended (H. Rept. 105-575); and

H. Res. 465, providing for consideration of H.R. 3494, to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to violent sex crimes against children (H. Rept. 105-576). **Page 11998**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Solomon to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 11847**

Recess: The House recessed at 9:03 a.m. and reconvened at 11:00 a.m. **Page 11847**

Joint Meeting to receive His Excellency Kim Dae-Jung, President of the Republic of South Korea: It was made in order that the proceedings conducted during the recess be printed in the Record. **Page 11847**

Bankruptcy Reform Act: The House passed H.R. 3150, to amend title 11 of the United States Code by a recorded vote of 306 ayes to 118 noes, Roll No. 225. **Page 11869**

Rejected the Conyers motion that sought to recommit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report back forthwith with amendments that revise the needs-based bankruptcy section to exclude support of a child, alimony, or support paid to a spouse or former spouse and adds a section for protection against reaffirmation agreements adversely affecting child support (rejected by a recorded vote of 153 ayes to 270 noes, Roll No. 224).

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Agreed To:

The Gekas amendment that ensures that a debtor who is disqualified from obtaining relief under chapter 7 by virtue of the bill's need-based formula is not disqualified from relief under chapter 11; makes revisions relating to debt counseling and financial management provisions; limits amount of a debtor's homestead to prevent manipulation of the provision to the disadvantage of homeowners; adds safeguards to fee examiner appointments and creditor's committee membership; revises section to accord more protection to recording artists; and clarifies that the Advisory Committee on Bankruptcy Rules of the Judicial Conference of the United States will establish rules and forms for small business debtors;

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The Boucher amendment that expands the definition of "household goods" to include personal property that is necessary for the support of a dependent child; and moves child support, alimony, and marital dissolution obligations from seventh priority to first priority during bankruptcy proceedings;

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The Shaw amendment, as modified, that requires credit card companies who obtain payments from parents who owe past-due child support to distribute the payment to parents and children who are entitled to priority under the bill;

Page 11916

The Gekas amendment that prohibits the conversion of non-exempt assets into exempt homestead property within 1 year of filing for bankruptcy (agreed to by a recorded vote of 222 ayes to 204 noes, Roll No. 221);

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The Velázquez amendment that requires the Executive Office of U.S. Trustees and Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts to conduct a study of the causes of small business bankruptcies;

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The Baldacci amendment that directs the Comptroller General to conduct a study of the impact on the nation's bankruptcy rate due to the extension of credit to students enrolled in post-secondary education programs who are claimed as dependents for tax purposes by their parents or legal guardians;

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Rejected:

The Nadler amendment that sought to modify the small business subtitle; restore the right to count debt as disposable income; strike paperwork and bureaucratic burdens and rigid deadlines which are not otherwise imposed on larger businesses; and strike provisions which allow a creditor to violate the automatic stay; prohibit a

small business from filing a new petition for two years after a case was dismissed; and require a successor entity to bring forward a plan capable of confirmation in order to file the case (rejected by a recorded vote of 136 ayes to 290 noes, Roll No. 219);

Pages 11913, 11954

The Delahunt amendment that sought to authorize the Judicial Conference of the United States to reduce disbursements to unsecured nonpriority creditors payable in Chapter 13 cases to cover the increased costs to the courts and the U.S. Trustees Office of implementing and administering the means testing system (rejected by a recorded vote of 149 ayes to 278 noes, Roll No. 220);

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The Paul amendment that sought to reorder tax priorities for debt repayment to repay local governmental units first, then state governmental units, then Federal governmental units;

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The Scott amendment that sought to eliminate Section 212 and maintain current law relating to recording artists and the discharge of obligations under service contract agreements with recording companies (rejected by a recorded vote of 111 ayes to 316 noes, Roll No. 222); and

Pages 11922, 11956

The Nadler amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to delete the one size fits all means test; strengthen procedure under current law for dismissal of a case for abuse of chapter 7; restore existing priorities among creditors; protect alimony and child support; revise small business subtitle to be consistent with recommendations of the National Bankruptcy Conference and the Small Business Administration; and ensure that government including the IRS cannot harass debtors (rejected by a recorded vote of 140 ayes to 288 noes, Roll No. 223).

Pages 11925, 11957

The Clerk was authorized in the engrossment of the bill to make corrections and conforming changes to the bill.

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H. Res. 462, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 251 yeas to 172 nays, Roll No. 218. Agreed to order the previous question by a yeas and nays vote of 236 yeas to 183 nays, Roll No. 217.

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Earlier, a point of order was raised against the rule under Section 425 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, regarding unfunded mandates. Pursuant to Section 426 of the Congressional Budget Act, the House agreed to consider H. Res. 462, by a yeas and nays vote of 248 yeas to 166 nays, Roll No. 216.

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Constitutional Amendment to Limit Campaign Spending: The House completed debate on H.J. Res. 119, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to limit campaign spending. The record vote on final passage was postponed, and consideration of the joint resolution will resume on June 11.

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Res. 442, the rule that is providing for consideration of the joint resolution was agreed to on May 21.

Sales Incentive Compensation Act: The House completed debate on H.R. 2888, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to exempt from the minimum wage recordkeeping and overtime compensation requirements certain specialized employees. **Page 11985**

Agreed To:

The Fawell amendment that specifies that employee sales that are predominantly to persons or entities to whom the employee's position has made previous sales or the position does not involve initiating sales contacts; and

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The Andrews amendment that specifies that an employee, rather than the position, has detailed understanding of the needs of those to whom the employee is selling and the employee exercises discretion in offering a variety of products and services.

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Vote Postponed:

The Owens amendment that seeks to require the employee's consent to work any hours in excess of 40 in any workweek or 8 in any day was debated and a recorded vote was postponed.

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Agreed by unanimous consent that during further consideration of H.R. 2888, in the Committee of the Whole pursuant to the rule, after the legislative day of today, June 10, no further debate or amendments to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be in order.

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H. Res. 461, the rule that is providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to earlier by a voice vote.

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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 11849.

Referrals: S. 1531, to deauthorize certain portions of the project for navigation, Bass Harbor, Maine was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

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Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 11999.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea and nay votes and seven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 11857, 11867, 11868, 11954, 11955, 11956, 11957, 11959, and 11960. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 12:12 a.m. on Thursday, June 11.

Committee Meetings

METHYL BROMIDE PHASE OUT

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Forestry, Resource Conservation, and Research held a hearing to review the phase out of methyl bromide. Testimony was heard from Representatives Thomas, Herger and Miller of Florida; Paul Stolpman, Director, Office of Atmospheric Programs, Office of Air and Radiation, EPA; Keith Pitts,

Special Assistant to the Deputy Secretary, USDA; and public witnesses.

OVER-THE-COUNTER DERIVATIVES MARKET REVIEW

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Risk Management and Specialty Crops held a hearing to review the regulation of the over-the-counter derivatives market. Testimony was heard from Brooksley Born, Chairperson, Commodity Futures Trading Commission; John D. Hawke, Under Secretary, Domestic Finance, Department of the Treasury; Richard Lindsey, Director, Division of Market Finance, SEC; and public witnesses.

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies approved for full Committee action the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies appropriations for fiscal year 1999.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development approved for full Committee action the Energy and Water Development Appropriations for fiscal year 1999.

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative approved for full Committee action the Legislative Appropriations for fiscal year 1999.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction approved for full Committee action the Military Construction Appropriations for fiscal year 1999.

SECURITIES LITIGATION UNIFORM STANDARDS ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 1689, Securities Litigation Uniform Standards Act of 1997.

ELECTRONIC COMMERCE

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on Electronic Commerce: The Future of the Domain Name System. Testimony was heard from George Strawn, Division Director, Division of Advanced Networking Infrastructure and Research, NSF; J. Beckwith Burr, Acting Associate Administrator, Telecommunications and Information and Director of the Office of International Affairs, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 2869, to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 to exempt safety and health assessments, audits, and reviews conducted by or for an employer from enforcement action under such Act; H.R. 2661, Sound Scientific Practices Act; H.R. 2873, to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970; and H.R. 3725, Postal Service Health and Safety Promotion Act.

YEAR 2000 PROBLEM—STATUS UPDATE

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology, hearing on the Status Update on the Year 2000 Problem. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO: Joel Willemssen, Director; and Jack L. Brock, Director, Governmentwide and Defense Information Systems; John Callahan, Assistant Secretary, Management and Budget, Department of Health and Human Services; Marshall Smith, Acting Deputy Secretary, Department of Education; William Curtis, Special Assistant for the Year 2000, Command, Control, Communication and Intelligence, Department of Defense; and Howard Lewis, Jr., Acting Chief Information Officer, Department of Energy.

OVERSIGHT—U.S. POSTAL SERVICE

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Postal Service held an oversight hearing on the U.S. Postal Service. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the U.S. Postal Service: William J. Henderson, Postmaster General and CEO; and Karla W. Corcoran, Inspector General; and Bernard L. Ungar, Director, Government Business Operations Issues, GAO.

CHINA—FORCED ABORTION AND STERILIZATION

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights held a hearing on Forced Abortion and Sterilization in China: The View from the Inside. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2893, to amend the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act to provide for appropriate study and repatriation of remains for which a cultural affiliation is not readily ascertainable; and H.R. 3903, to provide for an exchange of lands located near Gustavus, Alaska. Testimony was heard from Representative Hastings of Washington; Katherine Stevenson, Associate Director, Cultural Resources, Stewardship and Partnership, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

CHILD PROTECTION AND SEXUAL PREDATOR PUNISHMENT ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a structured rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 3494, Child Protection and Sexual Predator Punishment Act of 1998. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order the Committee on the Judiciary amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill, which shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

The rule provides for consideration of only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying this resolution, which may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the Rules Committee report.

The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to reduce votes to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives McCollum, Franks of New Jersey, Bachus, Bass, Foley, Gutknecht, Kelly, Salmon, Riley, Jackson-Lee, Lampson and Sherman.

OVERSIGHT—ROLE OF SCIENCE IN MAKING EFFECTIVE DECISIONS

Committee on Science: Held an oversight hearing on The Role of Science in Making Effective Decisions. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL POLICY—DRUG INTERDICTION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing on Drug Interdiction and other matters relating to the National Drug Control Policy. Testimony was heard from Rear Adm. Ernest R. Rietta, USCG, Assistant Commandant, Operations, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation; Gregory K. Williams, Chief of Operations, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice; Robert Brown, Assistant Deputy Director, Office of Supply Reduction, Office of National Drug Control Policy; Joseph W. Maxwell, Acting Executive Director, Air Interdiction, U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—BOARD OF VETERANS' APPEALS; COURT OF VETERANS' APPEALS ACT

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Benefits held an oversight hearing on the Board of Veterans' Appeals and the Court of Veterans Appeals and to review H.R. 3212, Court of Veterans Appeals Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Frank Q. Nebeker, Chief Judge, U.S. Court of Veterans Appeals; Richard B. Standefer, Acting Chairman, Board of Veterans' Appeals, Department of Veterans Affairs; and representatives of various veterans' organizations.

INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION ACT

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Held a hearing on the Intelligence Community Whistleblower Protection Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Fred Hitz, Inspector General, CIA; Eleanor Hill, Inspector General, Department of Defense; Michael Bromwich, Inspector General, Department of Justice; Fred Kaiser, Specialist in National American Government, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; and Kate Martin, Director, Center for National Security Studies.

Joint Meetings

MONETARY POLICY

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded hearings to examine monetary policy and the current economic outlook, after receiving testimony from Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

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Measures Introduced: Eleven bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2156–2166, S.J. Res. 52 and 53, and S. Res. 247. **Page 12149**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Special Report on Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 1999. (S. Rept. No. 105–211)

S. 2159, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. (S. Rept. No. 105–212)

S. 2160, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. (S. Rept. No. 105–213) **Page 12148**

Measures Passed:

National Park System Reform: Senate passed S. 1693, to provide for improved management and increased accountability for certain National Park Service Programs, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 12232**

Thomas (for Murkowski/Bumpers) Amendment No. 2703, of a technical nature. **Page 12239**

U.S.-Korea Relations: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 245, expressing the sense of the Senate that it is the interest of both the United States and the Republic of Korea to maintain and enhance continued close U.S.-ROK relations, and to commend President Kim Dae Jung and the Republic of Korea for the measures already implemented and those it has committed to implement to resolve the country's economic and financial problems, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page 12241**

Authorizing Testimony: Senate agreed to S. Res. 247, to authorize testimony, document production, and representation of Member and employees of the Senate in *United States versus Jack L. Williams, et al.* **Page 12242**

Universal Tobacco Settlement Act: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1415, to reform and restructure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 2420), taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 12105, 12115, 12243**

Adopted:

Kerry Modified Amendment No. 2689 (to Amendment No. 2437), to establish that a State shall use not less than 50 percent of certain restricted funds to carry out activities under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990. (By 33 yeas to 66 nays (Vote No. 157), Senate earlier failed to table the amendment.) **Pages 12107, 12115, 12137**

Subsequently, the amendment was further modified. **Page 12243**

Rejected:

Faircloth Amendment No. 2701 (to Amendment No. 2437), to limit attorneys' fees. (By 50 yeas to 45 nays, 2 responding present (Vote No. 158), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Page 12138**

Pending:

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2433 (to Amendment No. 2420), to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers. **Page 12105**

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2434 (to Amendment No. 2433), in the nature of a substitute. **Page 12105**

Gramm Motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Finance with instructions to report back forthwith, with Amendment No. 2436, to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers, and to eliminate the marriage penalty reflected in the standard deduction and to ensure the earned income credit takes into account the elimination of such penalty. **Page 12105**

Daschle (for Durbin) Amendment No. 2437 (to Amendment No. 2436), relating to reductions in underage tobacco usage. **Page 12105**

Reed Amendment No. 2702 (to Amendment No. 2437), to disallow tax deductions for advertising, promotional, and marketing expenses relating to tobacco product use unless certain requirements are met. **Page 12143**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 43 yeas to 56 nays (Vote No.156), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to agree to close further debate on the modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 2420). **Page 12111**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Friday, June 12, 1998.

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaties:

Extradition Treaty with Austria (Treaty Doc. 105-50); and Convention on Protection of Children and Co-operation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption (Treaty Doc. 105-51).

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and was ordered to be printed. **Page 12241**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report concerning the governments of the Federal Republic Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) in response to the situation in Kosovo; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM-139). **Page 12145**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Kelley S. Coyner, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation.

William Lloyd Massey, of Arkansas, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for the term expiring June 30, 2003.

Carlos Pascual, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Agency for International Development.

2 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

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Statements on Introduced Bills: **Page 12149**

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Amendments Submitted: **Page 12175**

Notices of Hearings: **Page 12227**

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Additional Statements: **Page 12228**

Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—158) **Pages 12111, 12123, 12143**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:45 a.m., and adjourned at 6:45 p.m., until 9:30 p.m., on Friday, June 12, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 12243.)

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE/VA-HUD/ MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

Original bill (S. 2159) making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999;

Original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999; and

Original bill (S. 2160) making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

RECREATIONAL FEE COLLECTION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded oversight hearings on the implementation of the Recreational Fee Demonstration Program, designed to authorize the Forest Service, National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management, and Fish and Wildlife Service to establish fee collection programs at sites that they manage, after receiving testimony from John Berry, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Policy, Management and Budget; Lyle Laverty, Regional Forester, Forest Service,

Department of Agriculture; David Brown, America Outdoors, Knoxville, Tennessee; Adena Cook, Blue Ribbon Coalition, Idaho Falls, Idaho; Dunham Gooding, Outdoor Recreation Coalition of America, Boulder, Colorado; and Arthur M. Peterson, Kampgrounds of America, Inc., Billings, Montana.

OIL VALUATION REGULATIONS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy Research, Development, Production and Regulation concluded oversight hearings to examine the status of the Department of the Interior Minerals Management Service efforts to revise regulations for valuing crude oil produced from Federal leases, after receiving testimony from Senator Boxer; Robert Armstrong, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Land and Minerals Management; Tom White, Vision Resources, on behalf of the Independent Petroleum Association of America, and James Senvold, SPN, Ltd., both of Houston, Texas; and M. Brian McMahon, McMahon & Spiegel, Los Angeles, California, on behalf of the City of Long Beach and the State of California.

U.S. TRADE DEFICIT

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings to examine the causes of the United States trade deficit and its implications for the American economy, receiving testimony from Senator Dorgan; Robert E. Rubin, Secretary of the Treasury; Janet L. Yellen, Chair, Council of Economic Advisers; Robert E. Scott, Economic Policy Institute, and Daniel T. Griswold, Cato Institute, both of Washington, D.C.; Murray Weidenbaum, Center for the Study of American Business, St. Louis, Missouri, former Chair, Council of Economic Advisers; and Robert Z. Lawrence, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Raymond W. Kelly, of New York, to be Commissioner of Customs, James E. Johnson, of New Jersey, to be Under Secretary for Enforcement, and Elizabeth Bresee, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary, all of the Department of the Treasury, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Kelly was introduced by Senator D'Amato.

CHINESE MISSILE PROLIFERATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee held hearings to examine the Administration's policy of promoting commercial satellite launches from China, focusing on Chinese ballistic and cruise missile proliferation, receiving testimony from Gordon Oehler, Arlington, Virginia, former Special Assistant to the Director of Central Intelligence for Nonproliferation; and Gary Milhollin, University of Wisconsin Law School, Madison, on behalf of the Wisconsin Project on Nuclear Arms Control.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of E. William Crotty, of Florida, to be Ambassador to Barbados, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to Antigua and Barbuda, to the Commonwealth of Dominica, to Grenada, to St. Kitts and Nevis, to Saint Lucia, and to Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, John O'Leary, of Maine, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Chile, and Arthur Louis Schechter, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Commonwealth of The Bahamas, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Crotty was introduced by Senators Mack, Graham, and Harkin, Mr. O'Leary was introduced by Senators Snowe and Collins and Representatives Baldacci and Allen, and Mr. Schechter was introduced by Senator Hutchison and Representative Lee.

INS REFORM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration held hearings on proposals to reform the Immigration and Naturalization Service, focusing on its ability to provide services to immigrants, visitors, and prospective citizens, receiving testimony from Doris Meissner, Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice; Margaret H. McCormick, American Immigration Lawyers Association, Washington, D.C.; and Sana Atisha, West Bloomfield, Michigan.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

CHILD LABOR

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Subcommittee on Employment and Training concluded hearings to examine the Department of Labor efforts and proposals to combat abusive child labor, after receiving testimony from John R. Fraser, Acting Administrator, Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor; California State Labor Commissioner Jose Millan, Sacramento; Thomas K. Zaucha, National Grocers Association, Reston, Virginia; Rafael I. Lissack, Wynnewood Food Fare, Wynnewood, Pennsylvania; Barbara Mainster and Lourdes Villanueva, both of the Redlands Christian Migrant Association, Immokalee, Florida; and Linda Dianne Mull, Association of Farmworker Opportunities Programs, Arlington, Virginia.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 22 public bills, H.R. 4035–4056; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 290 and H. Res. 466–469, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: No reports were filed today.

Recognizing Disabled American Veterans: The House agreed to S. Con. Res. 102, recognizing Disabled American Veterans. **Page 12028**

Constitutional Amendment to Limit Campaign Spending: The House failed to pass H.J. Res. 119, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to limit campaign spending, by a recorded vote of 29 ayes to 345 noes with 51 voting "present" (two thirds required for passage), Roll No. 226. The House completed debate on June 10. **Page 12030**

Res. 442, the rule that provided for consideration of the joint resolution was agreed to on May 21.

Sales Incentive Compensation Act: The House passed H.R. 2888, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to exempt from the minimum wage recordkeeping and overtime compensation requirements certain specialized employees by a recorded vote of 261 ayes to 165 noes, Roll No. 228. The House completed debate and considered amendments to the bill on June 10. **Page 12031**

Rejected the Owens amendment, debated on June 10, that sought to require the employee's consent to work any hours in excess of 40 in any workweek or 8 in any day (rejected by a recorded vote of 181 ayes to 246 noes, Roll No. 227). **Page 12031**

The Clerk was authorized in the engrossment of H.R. 2888 to make corrections and conforming changes as may be necessary to reflect the actions of the House. **Page 12034**

H. Res. 461, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to on June 10. **Page 11984**

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted his report concerning the ongoing use of excessive military force in Kosovo—referred to International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-273). **Page 12027**

Child Protection and Sexual Predator Punishment Act of 1998: The House passed H.R. 3494, to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to violent sex crimes against children by a ye and nay vote of 416 yeas to with none voting "nay" and 1 voting "present", Roll No. 230. **Page 12034**

Agreed to the Jackson-Lee motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report it back forthwith with an amendment that requires a study by the FBI of computer-based technologies and other approaches to the problem of the availability of pornographic material to children on the internet. Pursuant to the motion to recommit, the bill was reported back with the amendment, and the amendment was then agreed to. **Page 12074**

Agreed To:

The Riley amendment that creates a "zero tolerance" policy that would make the possession of any child pornography illegal; **Page 12046**

The Slaughter amendment that authorizes the national Institute of Justice to conduct a study of persistent sexual predators and report to Congress on their results; **Page 12048**

The Franks of New Jersey amendment, as modified, that requires the reporting of child pornography to law enforcement agencies by electronic communication service providers; **Page 12049**

The Bass amendment that creates the Sex Offender Management Assistance Program to provide States with grants to offset costs associated with meeting Federal requirements of sex offender registration and community notification programs; **Page 12053**

The Foley amendment that allows youth-serving volunteer organizations to request access to FBI criminal background checks; **Page 12054**

The Gutknecht amendment that expresses the sense of the Congress that states should implement a tier-based community notification system for notifying communities when sex offenders are released from jail and provides States with a model statute when implementing Megan's Law; **Page 12055**

The Kelly amendment that establishes minimum sentences for any person who takes a child hostage in order to compel, resist, or oppose the Federal Government; **Page 12058**

The Sherman amendment that establishes a national hotline administered by the Department of Justice and financed by a user fee for public access to the FBI database of convicted sexual predators (agreed to by a recorded vote of 247 ayes to 175 noes, Roll No. 229; and **Pages 12059, 12073**

The Conyers amendment that provides grants to States to combat violence against women and establishes various provisions to limit the effects of violence and sexual assault on women and children. **Page 12062**

Withdrawn:

The Ackerman amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn that sought to increase sentences by 50 percent for violent crimes committed against seniors and those who are disabled. **Page 12058**

The Clerk was authorized in the engrossment of H.R. 3494 to make technical and conforming changes as may be necessary to reflect the actions of the House. **Page 12076**

Earlier, the House agreed to H. Res. 465, the rule providing for consideration of the bill by a voice vote. **Page 12028**

Condemning the Brutal Killing of Mr. James Byrd: The House agreed to H. Res. 466, condemning the brutal murder of Mr. James Byrd by a ye and nay vote of 397 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 231. **Page 12076**

Legislative Program: The Chief Deputy Majority Whip announced the Legislative program for the week of June 15. **Page 12083**

Meeting Hour—Monday, June 15: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at noon on Monday, June 15. **Page 12083**

Meeting Hour—Tuesday, June 16: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 16, for Morning Hour debate. **Page 12083**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday, June 17. **Page 12083**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 12024.

Referrals: S. 1364, to eliminate unnecessary and wasteful Federal reports, was referred to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight. **Page 12092**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea and nay votes and four recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 12031, 12032, 12033, 12073, 12075, and 12082. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FOREST SERVICE TIMBER SALE

Committee on Agriculture: Held a hearing to review the Forest Service timber sale program. Testimony was heard from Representatives Herger and Stupak; James Lyons, Under Secretary, Natural Resources and Environment, USDA; Ray Craig, Assistant State Forester, Management Division, Department of Forestry, State of Oregon; and public witnesses.

TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE, GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government approved for full Committee action the Treasury, Postal Service, General Government Appropriations for fiscal year 1999.

MONEY LAUNDERING MEASURES

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 4005, Money Laundering Deterrence Act of 1998; and H.R. 1756, Money Laundering and Financial Crimes Strategy Act of 1997.

Prior to this action, the Committee held a hearing on these measures. Testimony was heard from Senator Grassley; the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Raymond W. Kelley, Under Secretary, Enforcement; and Robert Serino, Deputy General Counsel, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency; Mary Lee Warren,

Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; Jonathan Winer, Deputy Assistant Secretary, International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Division, Department of State; and public witnesses.

ENERGY CONSERVATION REAUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power approved for full Committee action H.R. 4017, Energy Conservation Reauthorization Act of 1998.

NATIONAL ASSESSMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PROGRESS AND NATIONAL ASSESSMENT GOVERNING BOARD REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth, and Families held a hearing on reauthorization of the National Assessment of Educational Progress and the National Assessment Governing Board. Testimony was heard from Mary Blanton, Vice Chairperson, National Assessment Governing Board; and public witnesses.

INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW BOARDS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing on Institutional Review Boards (IRBs): A System in Jeopardy. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: George F. Grob, Deputy Inspector General, Evaluation and Inspections; Eric Meslin, Executive Director, National Bioethics Advisory Committee; and Gary B. Ellis, Director, Office of Protection from Research Risks, Office of Extramural Research, NIH; and public witnesses.

RECONSTRUCTING SIERRA LEONE

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Africa held a hearing on Reconstructing Sierra Leone. Testimony was heard from Johnnie Carson, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, African Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

U.S. CUSTOMS MODERNIZATION—IMPLICATIONS ON TRADE

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade held a hearing on Modernization of U.S. Customs: Implications On Trade. Testimony was heard from Stuart Seidel, Assistant Commissioner (Rules and Regulations), U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury.

CHILD CUSTODY PROTECTION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3682, Child Custody Protection Act.

OVERSIGHT; PROTECTING AMERICAN SMALL BUSINESS TRADE ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property held an oversight hearing on the United States Judicial Conference, the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, and the Federal Judicial Center. Testimony was heard from Wm. Terrell Hodges, Chairman, Executive Committee, Judicial Conference of the United States; Leonidas Ralph Mecham, Director, Administrative Office of United States Courts; and Rya W. Zobel, Director, Federal Judicial Center.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on H.R. 3578, Protecting American Small Business Trade Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Jeffrey D. Kovar, Assistant Legal Advisor, Department of State; and public witnesses.

FBI'S NATIONAL INSTANT-CHECK SYSTEM IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime held a hearing on the FBI's implementation of a national instant-check system for screening prospective gun buyers. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: James E. Kessler, Jr., Section Chief, Operations Branch, Criminal Justice Information Services Division, FBI; and Jan M. Chaiken, Director, Bureau of Justice Statistics; Lt. Robert G. Kemmler, Assistant Records Management Officer, Firearms Transaction Program, Department of State Police, State of Virginia; Lt. Col. Cynthia Smith, Bureau Chief, Drug and Criminal Enforcement, State Police, State of Maryland; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; PRIVATE IMMIGRATION MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims approved for full Committee action amended the following bills: H.R. 2837, Naturalization Reform Act of 1997; and H.R. 371, Hmong Veterans' Naturalization Act of 1997.

The Committee also considered private immigration bills.

CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROTECTION—INFORMATION ASSURANCE

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Procurement and the Subcommittee on Military Research and Development held a joint hearing on the Fiscal Year 1999 National Defense authorization request on Critical Infrastructure Protection—Information Assurance. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Jeffrey Hunter, Director, Critical Infrastructure Office; Linton Wells, II, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Command, Control, Communications and Intelligence; and Brig. Gen. John H. Campbell, USAF, Deputy Director, Information Operations (J-39).

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans held an oversight hearing on the impact of the spiny dogfish harvest on striped bass. Testimony was heard from Richard Schaffer, Chief, Intergovernmental and Recreational Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, Department of Commerce; Hannibal Bolton, Division Chief, Fish and Wildlife Management Assistance, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; George Lapointe, Director, Interstate Fisheries Management Program, Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 1390, to authorize the Government of India to establish a memorial to honor Mahatma Gandhi in the District of Columbia; H.R. 1728, amended, National Park Service Administrative Amendment of 1997; H.R. 3109, Thomas Cole National Historic Site Act; H.R. 3830, Utah Schools and Lands Exchange Act of 1998; and H.R. 3055, amended, to deem the activities of the Micosukee Tribe on the Tamiami Indian Reservation to be consistent with the purposes of the Everglades National Park.

PASSENGER INTERFERENCE; CARRY-ON BAGGAGE REDUCTION ACT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on the problem of passenger interference with flight crews and a review of H.R. 3064, Carry-on Baggage Reduction Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Guy Gardner, Associate Administrator, Regulations and Certifications, FAA, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

ADOPTION REUNION REGISTRIES—SCREENING OF ADULTS WORKING WITH CHILDREN

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing on Adoption Reunion Registries and Screening of Adults Working with Children. Testimony was heard from Senators Levin, Craig and Bennett; Representative Bliley; Kent Markus, Deputy Chief of Staff, Department of Justice; Josette P. Marquess, Coordinator, Adoption Reunion Registry and Post Adoption Services Unit, Department of Children and Families, State of Florida; and public witnesses.

CHINA PROLIFERATION

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on China Proliferation. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

IRS REFORM

Conferees on Wednesday, June 10, met to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 2676, to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

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Friday, June 12, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 12265–12300

Measures Introduced: Two bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2168–2169. **Page 12287**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1104, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make corrections in maps relating to the Coastal Barrier Resources System. (S. Rept. No. 105–214)

S. 2038, to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize appropriations for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and to further define the criteria for capital repair and operation and maintenance, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–215)

S. 2168, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. (S. Rept. No. 105–216)

S. 887, to establish in the National Service the National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom program. (S. Rept. No. 105–217) **Page 12287**

Measures Passed:

Commemorating U.S.-Philippines Relations: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 235, commemorating 100 years of relations between the people of the United States and the people of the Philippines, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page 12281**

Carl D. Perkins Vocational-Technical Education Act: Committee on Labor and Human Resources was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1853, to amend the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 12299**

Hagel (for Jeffords) Amendment No. 2704, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 12299**

Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees: Senators Jeffords, Coats, Gregg, Frist, DeWine, Enzi, Hutchinson, Collins, Warner, McConnell, Kennedy, Dodd, Harkin, Mikulski, Bingaman, Wellstone, Murray, and Reed. **Page 12299**

Universal Tobacco Settlement Act: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1415, to reform and restructure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 2420), taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Page 12267**

Pending:

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2433 (to Amendment No. 2420), to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers. **Page 12267**

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2434 (to Amendment No. 2433), in the nature of a substitute. **Page 12267**

Gramm Motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Finance with instructions to report back forthwith, with Amendment No. 2436, to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers, and to eliminate the marriage penalty reflected in the standard deduction and to ensure the earned income credit takes into account the elimination of such penalty. **Page 12267**

Daschle (for Durbin) Amendment No. 2437 (to Amendment No. 2436), relating to reductions in underage tobacco usage. **Page 12267**

Reed Amendment No. 2702 (to Amendment No. 2437), to disallow tax deductions for advertising, promotional, and marketing expenses relating to tobacco product use unless certain requirements are met. **Page 12267**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Monday, June 15, 1998.

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Wilma A. Lewis, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Attorney for the District of Columbia for the term of four years. **Page 12300**

Measures Placed on Calendar: **Page 12299**

Communications: **Page 12285**

Statements on Introduced Bills: **Page 12287**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page 12288**

Amendments Submitted: **Page 12288**

Additional Statements: **Page 12298**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 1:56 p.m., until 1 p.m., on Monday, June 15, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 12300.)

Committee Meetings

UTILITY INDUSTRY YEAR 2000 READINESS

Special Committee on the Year 2000 Technology Problem: Committee held hearings to examine the readiness of the utility industry, including electric, oil, and natural gas utilities, and the role of the Federal Government in facilitating an information exchange on Year 2000 best practices and shared experiences among those in the industry, receiving testimony from Elizabeth A. Moler, Deputy Secretary, and James J. Hoecker, Chairman, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, both of the Department of Energy; Shirley Ann Jackson, Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission; John Koskinen, Chairman, President's Council on Year 2000 Conversion; Louis J. Marcoccia, MTS/PeopleSource, Selden, New York; Michehl R. Gent, North American Electric Reliability Council, Princeton, New Jersey; Charles Siebenthal, Electric Power Research Institute, Palo Alto, California; James A. Rubright, Sonat, Inc., Birmingham, Alabama, on behalf of the Interstate Natural Gas Association of America; and Gary W. Gardner, American Gas Association, Arlington, Virginia.

Committee recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will next meet on Monday, June 15.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

Monday, June 15, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 12319–68

Measures Introduced: One resolution was introduced, as follows: S. Res. 248. **Page 12350**

Measures Passed:

Condemning Killing of James Byrd, Jr.: Senate agreed to S. Res. 248, condemning the brutal killing of Mr. James Byrd, Jr., and commending the community of Jasper, Texas. **Page 12333**

Violent Crimes Offenders: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of H. Con. Res. 75, expressing the sense of the Congress that States should work more aggressively to attack the problem of violent crimes committed by repeat offenders and criminals serving abbreviated sentences, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page 12358**

Congressional Budget Resolution: Pursuant to the order of April 2, 1998, Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 284, revising the congressional budget for the fiscal year 1998, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 1999, and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2000, 2001, 2002, and 2003, after striking all after the resolving clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. Con. Res. 86, as passed by the Senate. **Page 12360**

Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees: Senators Domenici, Grassley, Nickles, Gramm, Bond, Gorton, Gregg, Snowe, Abraham, Frist, Grams, Smith, Lautenberg, Hollings, Conrad, Sarbanes, Boxer, Murray, Wyden, Feingold, Johnson, and Durbin. **Page 12360**

Senate also agreed to a motion to instruct the Senate conferees to include the Wellstone amendments in any conference agreement.

Universal Tobacco Settlement Act: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1415, to reform and restructure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 2420), taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 12324, 12335**

Adopted:

Reed Amendment No. 2702 (to Amendment No. 2437), to disallow tax deductions for advertising, promotional, and marketing expenses relating to tobacco product use unless certain requirements are met. (By 47 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 159), Senate earlier failed to table the amendment.) **Pages 12324, 12326**

Pending:

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2433 (to Amendment No. 2420), to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers. **Page 12324**

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2434 (to Amendment No. 2433), in the nature of a substitute. **Page 12324**

Gramm Motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Finance with instructions to report back forthwith, with Amendment No. 2436, to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers, and to eliminate the marriage penalty reflected in the standard deduction and to ensure the earned income credit takes into account the elimination of such penalty. **Page 12324**

Daschle (for Durbin) Amendment No. 2437 (to Amendment No. 2436), relating to reductions in underage tobacco usage. **Page 12324**

Gorton Amendment No. 2705 (to Amendment No. 2437), to limit attorneys' fees. **Page 12335**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Tuesday, June 16, 1998.

Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact Consent Act: Senate insisted on its amendment to H.R. 629, to grant the consent of the Congress to the Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact, agreed to the request of the House for a conference thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees: Senators Thurmond, Hatch, and Leahy. **Page 12358**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report concerning cost-sharing arrangements of the Convention on the Prohibition, Stockpiling, and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction; to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM-140). **Page 12349**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Robert D. Sack, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit.

Margaret Hornbeck Greene, of Kentucky, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Enrichment Corporation for a term expiring February 24, 2003.

James K. Robinson, of Michigan, to be an Assistant Attorney General. **Pages 12358, 12368**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

James Howard Holmes, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Latvia.

Steven Robert Mann, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Turkmenistan.

Kenneth Spencer Yalowitz, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Georgia.

3 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Army, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Navy. **Page 12367**

Messages From the President: **Page 12348**

Communications: **Page 12349**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page 12350**

Amendments Submitted: **Page 12352**

Authority for Committees: **Page 12352**

Additional Statements: **Page 12352**

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—159) **Page 12333**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 1 p.m., and adjourned at 7:03 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, June 16, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 12360.)

Committee Meetings

FEDERAL AGENCY COMPLIANCE ACT/10TH CIRCUIT JUDGESHIPS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts concluded hearings on S. 1166, to require a Federal agency, in administering a statute, rule, regulation, program, or policy (statute) within a judicial circuit, to adhere to the existing precedent respecting the interpretation and application of such statute, as established by the decisions of the United States Court of Appeals for that circuit, with exceptions, after receiving testimony from Senator Campbell; Representative Gekas; Arthur J. Fried, General Counsel, Social Security Administration; Ronald G. Bernoski, Administrative Law Judge (Assigned to the Office of Hearings and Appeals/Social Security Administration), on behalf of the Association of Administrative Law Judges, Inc.; James F. Allsup, Allsup Incorporated, Belleville, Illinois; John Bowman, Bowman and DePree, Davenport, Iowa; and Lynn Conforti, Denver, Colorado.

Also, subcommittee concluded hearings to examine the state of the Federal courts in the Tenth Circuit, focusing on the need to fill existing vacancies or create new judgeships in certain district courts within the circuit, after receiving testimony from Stephanie K. Seymour, Chief Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: One Resolution, H. Res. 470, was introduced. **Page 12317**

Reports Filed: One report was filed as follows:

Conference report on H.R. 2646, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts (H. Rept. 105-577). **Page 12301**

Speaker pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Barrett of Nebraska to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 12301**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 12301.

Referral: S. 1693, to provide for improved management and increased accountability for certain National Park Service programs, was referred to the Committee on Resources. **Page 12316**

Quorum Calls—Votes: No quorum calls or recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: Met at 12:00 noon and adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

Tuesday, June 16, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 12373–12451

Measures Introduced: Eleven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2170–2180, and S. Res. 249. **Page 12423**

Measures Passed:

Congratulating the Chicago Bulls: Senate agreed to S. Res. 249, to congratulate the Chicago Bulls on winning the 1998 National Basketball Association Championship. **Page 12447**

Universal Tobacco Settlement Act: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1415, to reform and restructure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 2420), taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Page 12380**

Adopted:

By 49 yeas to 48 nays, 2 responding present (Vote No. 160), Gorton Modified Amendment No. 2705 (to Amendment No. 2437), to limit attorneys' fees. **Page 12380**

Pending:

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2433 (to Amendment No. 2420), to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers. **Page 12380**

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2434 (to Amendment No. 2433), in the nature of a substitute. **Page 12380**

Gramm Motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Finance with instructions to report back forthwith, with Amendment No. 2436, to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers, and to

eliminate the marriage penalty reflected in the standard deduction and to ensure the earned income credit takes into account the elimination of such penalty. **Page 12380**

Daschle (for Durbin) Amendment No. 2437 (to Amendment No. 2436), relating to reductions in underage tobacco usage. **Page 12380**

Ford Amendment No. 2707 (to Amendment No. 2437), to provide assistance for eligible producers experiencing losses of farm income during the 1997 through 2004 crop years. **Page 12399**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Wednesday, June 17, 1998.

Messages From the House: **Page 12416**

Measures Referred: **Page 12416**

Petitions: **Page 12416**

Statements on Introduced Bills: **Page 12423**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page 12442**

Amendments Submitted: **Page 12443**

Authority for Committees: **Page 12444**

Additional Statements: **Page 12445**

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—160) **Page 12398**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:31 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, June 17, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 12450.)

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—FOREIGN OPERATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for foreign assistance programs, after receiving testimony from Madeleine K. Albright, Secretary of State.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Louis Caldera, of California, to be Secretary of the Army, and Daryl L. Jones, of Florida, to be Secretary of the Air Force, both of the Department of Defense, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Caldera was introduced by Senators Feinstein and Boxer, and Mr. Jones was introduced by Senators Mack, Graham, and Cochran, and Representative Foley.

PARENTAL ADVISORY LABELS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee held hearings to examine the effectiveness of advisory labels to inform consumers and parents of violent, racist, or sexual music content, receiving testimony from Charlie Gilreath, *Entertainment Monitor*, Los Angeles, Cali-

fornia; Debbie Pelley, Westside Middle School, Jonesboro, Arkansas; Krist Novoselic, Joint Artists and Music Promotions Action Committee, Seattle, Washington; George Gerbner, Temple University, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and Barbara P. Wyatt, Parents' Music Resource Center, McLean, Virginia.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

ENERGY AND WATER PROJECTS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power concluded hearings on the following bills:

H.R. 2165, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Project Number 3862 in the State of Iowa, H.R. 2217, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of FERC Project Number 9248 in the State of Colorado, and H.R. 2841, to extend the time required for the construction of a hydroelectric project in Kentucky, after receiving testimony from Kristina Nygaard, Assistant General Counsel, Hydroelectric Licensing, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission;

S. 2087, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain works, facilities, and titles of the Gila Project, and designated lands within or adjacent to the Gila Project, to the Wellton-Mohawk Irrigation and Drainage District in Arizona, after receiving testimony from William J. Snape, III, Defenders of Wildlife, Washington, D.C.; and Wade Noble, Wellton-Mohawk Irrigation and Drainage District, Yuma, Arizona;

S. 2142, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey the facilities of the Pine River Project, to allow jurisdictional transfer of lands between the Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, and the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, and the Bureau of Indian Affairs, after receiving testimony from Steve Pargin, Pine River Irrigation District, Bayfield, Colorado;

S. 2140, to amend the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act of 1992 to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the design, planning, and construction of the Denver Water Reuse project, after receiving testimony from Mary Hoddinott, Denver Water Board, Denver, Colorado; and

S. 2041, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the design, planning, and construction of the Willow Lake Natural Treatment System Project for the reclamation and reuse of water, after receiving testimony from Diane Taniguchi-Dennis, on behalf of the City of Salem, Oregon.

Testimony was also received on S. 2087, S. 2142, S. 2140, S. 2041 (all listed above), and S. 1398, to extend certain contracts between the Bureau of Reclamation and irrigation water contractors in Wyoming and Nebraska that receive water from Glendo Reservoir, from Eluid L.

Martinez, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior.

PANAMA CANAL

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee held hearings to examine United States interests in the Panama Canal, focusing on the transition from U.S. to Panamanian operation of the Canal pursuant to the Carter-Torrijos treaties ratified by the U.S. Senate in 1978, receiving testimony from Representative Barr; Adm. Thomas H. Moorer, USN (Ret.), former Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff; Mark Falcoff, American Enterprise Institute, Washington, D.C.; and Robert A. Pastor, Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia, on behalf of the Carter Center.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Shirley Elizabeth Barnes, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Madagascar, William Davis Clarke, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the State of Eritrea, Vivian Lowery Derryck, of Ohio, to be Assistant Administrator for Africa, Agency for International Development, George Williford Boyce Haley, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Gambia, Katherine Hubay Peterson, of California, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Lesotho, Charles Richard Stith, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the United Republic of Tanzania, Paul L. Cejas, of Florida, to be Ambassador to Belgium, Eric S. Edelman, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Finland, Nancy Halliday Ely-Raphel, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Slovenia, Michael Craig Lemmon, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Armenia, Rudolf Vilem Perina, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Moldova, Edward L. Romero, of New Mexico, to be Ambassador to Spain and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to Andorra, Cynthia Perrin Schneider, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of the Netherlands, and Kenneth Spencer Yalowitz, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Georgia, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Ms. Derryck was introduced by Senator Glenn and Representative Payne, Mr. Haley was introduced by Senators Cochran and Roberts, Mr. Stith was introduced by Senators Kennedy and Kerry, Mr. Cejas was introduced by Senators Mack and Graham, and Mr. Romero was introduced by Senators Domenici and Bingaman.

MERGERS AND CORPORATE CONSOLIDATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee held hearings to examine the economic trends, size, scope and consequences associated with the current merger wave that is affecting a wide range of industries in the American economy, receiving testimony from Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Janet L.

Yellen, Chair, Council of Economic Advisers; Joel I. Klein, Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice; and Robert Pitofsky, Chairman, Federal Trade Commission.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 4057–4058, 4061–4068; and 3 resolutions, H.J. Res. 122, and H. Res. 473–474, were introduced. **Page 12512**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 4059, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–578)

H. Res. 471, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 2646, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts (H. Rept. 105–579);

H. Res. 472, providing for consideration of H.R. 3097, to terminate the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (H. Rept. 105–580);

H.R. 4060, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–581); and

H. Res. 463, to establish a select committee on U.S. National Security and Military/Commercial Concerns with the People's Republic of China, amended (H. Rept. 105–582). **Page 12512**

Speaker pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Radanovich to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 12452**

Recess: The House recessed at 1:16 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m. **Page 12458**

Private Calendar: On the call of the Private Calendar the House passed H.R. 375, amended, for the relief of Margarito Domantay; and H.R. 1949, amended, for the relief of Nuratu Olarewaju Abeke Kadiri. **Page 12459**

Presidential Message—Chemical Weapons: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted his report concerning cost-sharing arrangements with respect to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling, and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction—referred to the Committee on International Relations. **Page 12460**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Congressional Gold Medal to Nelson Mandela: H.R. 3156, to present a congressional gold medal to Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela; **Page 12460**

Fastener Quality Act Amendments: H.R. 3824, amended, amending the Fastener Quality Act to exempt from its coverage certain fasteners approved by the Federal Aviation Administration for use in aircraft; **Page 12468**

Telemarketing Fraud Prevention Act: Senate amendment to H.R. 1847, to improve the criminal law relating to fraud against consumers (agreed to by yeas and nays vote of 411 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 232)—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages 12474, 12492**

California Indian Policy Extension Act: H.R. 3069, to extend the Advisory Council on California Indian Policy to allow the Advisory Council to advise Congress on the implementation of the proposals and recommendations of the Advisory Council; **Page 12477**

Rogue River National Forest: H.R. 3796, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey the administrative site for the Rogue River National Forest and use the proceeds for the construction or improvement of offices and support buildings for the Rogue River National Forest and the Bureau of Land Management; **Page 12479**

National Drought Policy Act: H.R. 3035, amended, to establish an advisory commission to provide advice and recommendations on the creation of an integrated, coordinated Federal policy designed to prepare for and respond to serious drought emergencies; **Page 12480**

Individuals With Disabilities Education Act: H. Res. 399, amended, urging the Congress and the President to work to fully fund the Federal Government's obligation under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. Agreed to amend the title; and **Page 12482**

Ending of Social Promotion In America's Schools: H. Res. 401, amended, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that social promotion in America's schools should be ended and can be ended through the use of high-quality, proven programs and practices (agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 405 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 233). **Pages 12487, 12492**

Late Report—Appropriations: The Committee on Appropriations received permission to have until midnight on Tuesday, June 16 to file reports on H.R. 4059, making appropriations for Military Construction and H.R. 4060, making appropriations for Energy and Water Development. **Page 12494**

Late Report—Rules Committee: The Committee on Rules received permission to have until midnight on Tuesday, June 16 to file a report on H. Res. 463, to establish a select committee on U.S. National Security and

Military/Commercial Concerns with the People's Republic of China.

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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 12452.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 12514.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on page 12492. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATION BILLS; BUDGET ALLOCATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the following appropriations for Fiscal Year 1999: Energy and Water Development; Military Construction; and the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies.

The Committee also approved Section 302(b) Budget Allocations for fiscal year 1999.

CHILDREN'S DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ACT

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Securities and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing on H.R. 3637, Children's Development Commission Act. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

NATIONAL OILHEAT RESEARCH ALLIANCE ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing on H.R. 3610, National Oilheat Research Alliance Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

TEAMSTERS FINANCE REPORTING AND PENSION DISCLOSURES

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on International Brotherhood of Teamsters Financing Reporting and Pension Disclosures. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA—SALE OF BODY PARTS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, and the Committee on International Relations held a joint hearing on the Sale of Body Parts by the People's Republic of China, Part II. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: John Shattuck, Assistant Secretary, Democracy, Human Rights and Labor Bureau; and Howard Lange, Acting Assistant

Secretary, East Asian and Pacific Affairs Bureau; and a public witness.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology approved for full Committee action the following: as amended the Government Waste, Fraud, and Error Reduction Act of 1998; H.R. 2508, amended, to provide for the conveyance of Federal land in San Joaquin County, CA, to the city of Tracy, CA; and the Federal Procurement System Performance Measurement and Acquisition Workforce Training Act of 1998.

VICTIMS OF RELIGIOUS PERSECUTION AROUND THE WORLD

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights held a hearing on Victims of Religious Persecution Around the World. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY PROTECTION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution held a hearing on H.R. 4019, Religious Liberty Protection Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

CONFERENCE REPORT—EDUCATION SAVINGS AND SCHOOL EXCELLENCE ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 2646, Education Savings and School Excellence Act of 1998, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard from Chairman Archer.

TAX CODE TERMINATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing 2 hours of debate on H.R. 3097, Tax Code Termination Act. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution be considered as adopted. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Archer and Representatives Largent and Boswell.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON U.S. SECURITY AND MILITARY/COMMERCIAL CONCERNS WITH PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

Committee on Rules: Ordered reported amended H. Res. 463, to establish the Select Committee on U.S. National Security and Military/Commercial Concerns With the People's Republic of China.

Prior to this action, the Committee held a hearing on this resolution. Testimony was heard from Representatives Cox of California, Thomas and Dicks; R. James

Woolsey, former Director, CIA; Richard V. Allen, former National Security Advisor; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Economic Development approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 2379, to designate the Federal building and U.S. courthouse located at 251 North Main Street in Winston-Salem, NC, as the "Hiram H. Ward Federal Building and United States Courthouse"; H.R. 2787, amended, to designate the United States courthouse located in New Haven, Connecticut, as the "Richard C. Lee United States Courthouse"; H.R. 3696, amended, to designate the Federal Courthouse located at 316 North 26th Street in Billings, Montana, as the "James F. Battin Federal Courthouse"; H.R. 3223, to designate the Federal building located at 300 East 8th Street in Austin, Texas, as the "J.J. 'Jake' Pickle Federal Building"; and S. 1800, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 85 Marconi Boulevard in Columbus, Ohio, as the "Joseph P. Kinneary United States Courthouse".

The Subcommittee also approved for full Committee action the following: 9 Repair and Alteration Program resolutions; 1 Advanced Design Program resolution; and 2 Boarder Station Construction Program resolutions.

YEAR 2000 COMPUTER PROBLEMS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on the Year 2000 (Y2K) computer problems and telecommunications systems. Testimony was heard from Joel C. Willemssen, Director, Information Resources Management, Accounting and Information Management, GAO; Michael Power, Defense Commissioner, FCC; and public witnesses.

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Wednesday, June 17, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 12536-12611

Measures Introduced: Six bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2181-2186, and S. Res. 250. **Page 12592**

Universal Tobacco Settlement Act: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1415, to reform and restructure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, with a modified committee amend-

ment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 2420), taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 12544, 12569**

Pending:

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2433 (to Amendment No. 2420), to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers. **Page 12544**

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2434 (to Amendment No. 2433), in the nature of a substitute. **Page 12544**

Gramm Motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Finance with instructions to report back forthwith, with Amendment No. 2436, to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers, and to eliminate the marriage penalty reflected in the standard deduction and to ensure the earned income credit takes into account the elimination of such penalty. **Page 12544**

Daschle (for Durbin) Amendment No. 2437 (to Amendment No. 2436), relating to reductions in underage tobacco usage. **Page 12544**

Ford Modified Amendment No. 2707 (to Amendment No. 2437), to provide assistance for eligible producers experiencing losses of farm income during the 1997 through 2004 crop years. **Page 12544**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 57 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. 161), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to close further debate on the modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 2420). **Page 12578**

By 53 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 162), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected a motion to waive the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 with respect to consideration of the bill. Subsequently, a point of order that the bill was in violation of section 302 of the Congressional Budget Act was sustained, and pursuant to section 312(f) of the Congressional Budget Act, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. **Page 12584**

Energy and Water Development Appropriations: Senate began consideration of S. 2138, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. **Page 12586**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Thursday, June 18, 1998.

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Ida L. Castro, of New York, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for a term expiring July 1, 2003.

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

A routine list in the Coast Guard.

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Communications:

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Additional Statements:	Page 12605
Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—162)	Pages 12584, 12586

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:56 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Thursday, June 18, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 12611.)

Committee Meetings

FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPETITIVENESS ACT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee held hearings on H.R. 10, to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, and other financial service providers, receiving testimony from Robert E. Rubin, Secretary of the Treasury; and Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

JUNK E-MAIL

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications concluded hearings on S. 2107, to enhance electronic commerce by promoting the reliability and integrity of commercial transactions through establishing authentication standards for electronic communications, and related proposals to regulate the transmission of unsolicited commercial electronic mail, including S. 771, after receiving testimony from Senator Murkowski and Torricelli; Sheila Anthony, Commissioner, Federal Trade Commission; Randall Boe, America Online, Dulles, Virginia; and Jerry Cerasale, Direct Marketing Association, Ray Everett-Church, Coalition Against Unsolicited Commercial Email, and Dierdre Mulligan, Center for Democracy and Technology, all of Washington, D.C.

PUBLIC LAND MANAGEMENT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management concluded hearings on S. 1253, to provide to the Federal land management agencies the authority and capability to manage effectively the federal lands in accordance with the principles of multiple use and sustained yield, after receiving testimony from James R. Lyons, Under Secretary of Agriculture for Natural Resources and the Environment; Fran Cherry, Acting Assistant Director for Renewable Resources and Planning, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; Mary Munson, Defenders of

Wildlife, Rene Voss, Earth Island Institute, and Steve Holmer, Western Ancient Forest Campaign, all of Washington, D.C.; and Bethanie Walder, Wildlands Center for Preventing Roads, Missoula, Montana.

AFRICAN GROWTH AND OPPORTUNITY ACT

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings on H.R. 1432 and S. 778, bills to authorize a new trade and investment policy for sub-Saharan Africa, receiving testimony from Senator Lugar; Representatives Crane and Rangel; Madeleine K. Albright, Secretary of State; William M. Daley, Secretary of Commerce; Lawrence H. Summers, Deputy Secretary of the Treasury; J. Patrick Danahy, Cone Mills Corporation, Greensboro, North Carolina, on behalf of the American Textile Manufacturers Institute; Karen Fedorko, MAST Industries, Inc., Andover, Massachusetts; Robert Johnson, Black Entertainment Television, Washington, D.C.; and Mark Levinson, AFL-CIO, New York, New York.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

INTERNATIONAL RELIGIOUS FREEDOM ACT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1868, to express United States foreign policy with respect to, and to strengthen United States advocacy on behalf of, individuals persecuted for their faith worldwide; to authorize United States actions in response to religious persecution worldwide; to establish an Ambassador at Large on International Religious Freedom within the Department of State, a Commission on International Religious Persecution, and a Special Adviser on International Religious Freedom within the National Security Council, after receiving testimony from Richard Land, Southern Baptist Convention, Nashville, Tennessee; Felice D. Gaer, Jacob Blaustein Institute for the Advancement of Human Rights/American Jewish Committee, New York, New York; John N. Akers, East Gates Ministries International, Montreat, North Carolina; William R. O'Brien, Global Center/Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama; and Rt. Rev. Munawar Rumlshah, Beshawar, Pakistan.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2176, to amend sections 3345 through 3349 of title 5, United States Code (commonly referred to as the "Vacancies Act") to clarify statutory requirements relating to vacancies in and appointments to certain Federal offices, with amendments;

S. 712, to provide for a system to classify information in the interests of national security and a system to declassify such information, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 2675, to require that the Office of Personnel Management submit proposed legislation under which group universal life insurance and group variable uni-

versal life insurance would be available under chapter 87 of title 5, United States Code, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 3096, to make a technical correction to a provision relating to the termination of benefits for convicted persons;

H.R. 930, to require Federal employees to use Federal travel charge cards for all payments of expenses of official Government travel, to amend title 31, United States Code, to establish requirements for prepayment audits of Federal agency transportation expenses, to authorize reimbursement of Federal agency employees for taxes incurred on travel or transportation reimbursements, and to authorize test programs for the payment of Federal employee travel expenses and relocation expenses, with amendments;

S. 2071, to extend a quarterly financial report program administered by the Secretary of Commerce through September 30, 2005; and

The nominations of G. Edward DeSeve, of Pennsylvania, to be Deputy Director for Management, and Deidre A. Lee, of Oklahoma, to be Administrator of the Office of Federal Procurement Policy, both of the Office of Management and Budget.

Also, committee began markup of S. 389, to improve congressional deliberation on proposed Federal private sector mandates, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

TEENAGE DRUG ABUSE

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee held hearings to examine the causes and effects of illegal drug use by teenagers, receiving testimony from Barry R. McCaffrey, Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy; Nancy J. Auer, Swedish Hospital, Seattle, Washington, on behalf of the American College of Emergency Physicians; Sushma Jani, Devereux Foundation, Washington, D.C.; and certain protected witnesses.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Constitution, Federalism, and Property Rights approved for full committee consideration S.J. Res. 40 and H.J. Res. 54, measures proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to Prohibit the Physical Desecration of the Flag of the United States.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee will meet again on Wednesday, June 24.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 8 public bills, H.R. 4069–4076; and 2 resolutions, H.J. Res. 123 and H. Res. 475, were introduced. **Page 12688**

Reports Filed: One report was filed as follows:

H. Res. 476, providing for consideration of H. Res. 463, to establish a select committee on U.S. National Security and Military/Commercial Concerns with the People's Republic of China (H. Rept. 105–583). **Page 12688**

Speaker pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Oxley to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 12612**

Education Savings Act for Public and Private Schools: The House agreed to H. Res. 471, the rule waiving points of order against the conference report on H.R. 2646, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, and to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts, by a recorded vote of 228 ayes to 191 noes, Roll No. 236. **Pages 12616, 12629**

Tax Code Termination Act: The House passed H.R. 3097, to terminate the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 by a recorded vote of 219 ayes to 209 noes, Roll No. 239. **Page 12630**

Rejected the Rangel motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Ways and Means with instructions to report it back forthwith with an amendment in the nature of a substitute that expresses the sense of Congress that comprehensive reform of the Tax Code should be enacted no later than April 15, 2001 with hearings to commence no later than 30 days after enactment by a ye and nay vote of 203 yeas to 223 nays, Roll No. 238.

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The House agreed to H. Res. 472, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill, by a recorded vote of 232 ayes to 188 noes, Roll No. 235. Earlier, agreed to order the previous question by a ye and nay vote of 229 yeas to 194 nays, Roll No. 234. Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in H. Rept. 105–580, accompanying the rule, was considered as adopted.

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Recess: The House recessed at 4:03 p.m. and reconvened at 4:38 p.m. **Page 12655**

Bipartisan Campaign Integrity Act: The House resumed debate on H.R. 2183, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to reform the financing of campaigns for elections for Federal office. The bill was previously debated on May 22. **Page 12655**

H. Res. 442, the rule that is providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to on May 21.

Rejected the White amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to create a temporary 12-member commission to propose federal campaign finance reform, appointed within 15 days of enactment, to report to Congress with its recommendations within 6 months of adjournment of the 105th Congress (rejected by a recorded vote of 156 ayes to 201 noes with 68 voting "present", Roll No. 241). **Page 12665**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 12689.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two quorum calls, Roll No. 237 and Roll No. 240, two yea and nay votes, and four recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 12628, 12629, 12653, 12654, 12657, and 12670.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 9:38 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MULTILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS— AGRICULTURAL TRADE—AFRICA AND THE MIDDLE EAST

Committee on Agriculture: Held a hearing to review the 1999 Multilateral Negotiations on Agricultural Trade—Africa and the Middle East. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS; TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE, GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the following appropriations for Fiscal Year 1999: Defense; and Treasury, Postal Service, General Government.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS FUND REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit held a hearing on the reauthorization of the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: John D. Hawke, Jr., Under Secretary, Domestic Finance; Ellen Lazar, Director, Community Development Financial Institutions Fund; and Richard B. Calahan, Deputy Inspector General; Judy A. England-Joseph, Director, Housing and Community Development Issues, Resources, Community and Economic Division, GAO; and public witnesses.

PORTALS INVESTIGATION

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations met to receive subpoenaed documents in connection with the Subcommittee's ongoing Portals investigation.

Adopted, by a vote of 9 to 6, a resolution finding Franklin L. Haney in contempt for failure to comply with the subpoena duces tecum served on him, and directing the Chairman of the Subcommittee to report such finding to the full Committee for such action as the Committee deems appropriate.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 2921, Multi-channel Video Competition and Consumer Protection Act of 1997; and H.R. 872, amended, Biomaterials Access Assurance Act of 1998.

The Subcommittee also began markup of H.R. 2281, WIPO Copyright Treaties Implementation Act.

Will continue tomorrow.

TEAMSTERS FINANCE REPORTING AND PENSION DISCLOSURES

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations concluded hearings on International Brotherhood of Teamsters Financing Reporting and Pension Disclosures. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Labor: John Kotch, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary and Howard Campbell, Acting Chief, Reporting and Disclosure Section, both with the Office of Labor-Management Standards; Alan Lebowitz, Deputy Assistant Secretary; Ian Dingwall, Chief Accountant; and Joseph Applebaum, Chief Actuary, all with the Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration.

GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE INITIATIVE— CONGRESSIONAL REVIEW ACT IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing on the White House Global Climate Change Initiative and Congressional Review Act Implementation: Is OMB Hiding the Truth About New Regulations. Testimony was heard from Robert Murphy, General Counsel, GAO; and G. Edward DeSeve, Deputy Director-Designate for Management, OMB.

ADMINISTRATION'S POW/MIA POLICIES AND PROGRAMS—WORLDWIDE REVIEW

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on Worldwide Review of the Administration's POW/MIA Policies and Programs. Testimony was heard from Charles Kartman, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State; Frederick C. Smith, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, International Security Affairs/Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense; Ambassador Malcolm Toon, Chair-

man, U.S.-Russian Joint Commission on POW/MIA; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 3849, Internet Tax Freedom Act; H.R. 3529, Internet Tax Freedom Act; and H.R. 371, Hmong Veterans' Naturalization Act of 1997.

The Committee began markup of H.R. 3682, Child Custody Protection Act.

Will continue June 23.

The Committee also considered pending Committee business.

EXPORT OF SATELLITES TO CHINA—U.S. POLICY

Committee on National Security and the Committee on International Relations: Held a joint hearing on U.S. policy regarding the export of satellites to China. Testimony was heard from Joan Johnson Freese, Professor of International Security Studies, Air War College, Department of the Air Force; Shirley A. Kan, Analyst in Foreign Affairs, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Ordered reported the following measures: H.J. Res. 113, approving the location of a Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial in the Nation's Capitol; H.R. 1659, amended, Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument Completion Act; H.R. 1728, amended, National Park Service Administrative Amendment of 1997; H.R. 1983, Narragansett Justice Act; H.R. 2993, amended, to provide for the collection of fees for the making of motion pictures, television productions, and sound tracks in National Park System and National Wildlife Refuge System units; H.R. 3460, amended, to approve a governing international fishery agreement between the United States and the Republic of Latvia; and H.R. 3830, Utah Schools and Lands Exchange Act of 1998.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON U.S. SECURITY AND MILITARY/COMMERCIAL CONCERNS WITH PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing 1 hour of debate on H. Res. 463, to establish the Select Committee on U.S. National Security and Military/Commercial Concerns With the People's Republic of China. The rule provides that the resolution shall be considered as read. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the resolution shall be considered as adopted. The rule provides that the previous question shall be considered as ordered without intervening motion.

OVERSIGHT—HUMANE GENOME PROJECT

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held an oversight hearing on The Humane Genome Project: How Private Sector Developments Affect the Government Program. Testimony was heard from Aristides A. Patrinos, Associate Director, Energy Research for Health and Environmental Research, Department of Energy; Francis Collins, M.D., Director, National Human Genome Research Institute, NIH, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

VA HEALTH CARE SYSTEM REVIEW

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on the Future of the VA Health Care System. Testimony was heard from Kenneth W. Kizer, M.D., Under Secretary, Health, Department of Veterans Affairs; Stephen P. Backhus, Director, Veterans' Affairs and Military Health Care Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, GAO; representatives of veterans organizations; and public witnesses.

U.S.-CHINA TRADE RELATIONS—RENEWAL OF MFN STATUS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade held a hearing on U.S.-China trade relations and renewal of China's most-favored (MFN) status. Testimony was heard from Representatives Stark, Solomon, Smith of New Jersey, Weldon of Pennsylvania, Pelosi and Dooley; Susan Esserman, General Counsel, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative; Stanley Roth, Assistant Secretary, East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

U.S. ELECTORAL PROCESS—ALLEGED EFFORTS BY PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA TO INFLUENCE

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Update on Alleged Efforts by People's Republic of China to influence U.S. Electoral Process. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Janet Reno, Attorney General; and Louis J. Freeh, Director, FBI.

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Seven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2187-2193, and S. Res. 251.

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Measures Passed:

Congratulating the Detroit Red Wings: Senate agreed to S. Res. 251, to congratulate the Detroit Red Wings on winning the 1998 National Hockey League Stanley Cup Championship and proving themselves to be one of the best teams in NHL history. **Page 12735**

Energy and Water Development Appropriations, 1999: By 98 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 165), Senate passed S. 2138, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, after taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 12712, 12729**

Adopted:

Gorton (for Inouye) Amendment No. 2713, to provide funds for assistance in a study of measures to increase the efficiency of existing water systems that serve sugar cane plantations in Hawaii. **Pages 12712, 12736**

Jeffords Modified Amendment No. 2715, to increase funding for energy supply, research, and development activities relating to renewable energy sources. **Page 12721**

Domenici (for Daschle) Amendment No. 2717, to make funds available for the Omaha District of the Army Corps of Engineers to pay certain claims. **Page 12737**

Domenici (for Lautenberg/Torricelli) Amendment No. 2718, to provide funds for continued construction of the Joseph G. Minish Passaic River waterfront park and historic area. **Page 12737**

Domenici (for Levin/Glenn) Amendment No. 2719, to make funds available for demonstration of sediment remediation technology. **Page 12737**

Domenici (for Biden) Amendment No. 2720, to make funds available for the Initiatives for Proliferation Prevention Program. **Page 12737**

Domenici (for Levin) Amendment No. 2721, to make funds available for Belle Isle Shoreline erosion protection, Riverfront Rowers to Renaissance Center shoreline protection, and for the Great Lakes Basin, Sea Lamprey Control, all Michigan projects. **Page 12737**

Domenici (for Reid) Amendment No. 2722, to provide funding for the isotope ratio capabilities at the University of Nevada-Las Vegas. **Page 12737**

Domenici (for Cleland) Amendment No. 2723, to make funds available for the Atlanta Watershed, Atlanta, Georgia project. **Page 12737**

Domenici (for Levin) Amendment No. 2724, to make funds available for support of the National Contaminated Sediment Task Force. **Page 12737**

Domenici/Reid Amendment No. 2725, to increase funding for science activities of the Department of Energy. **Page 12737**

Domenici (for Dorgan/Conrad) Amendment No. 2726, to provide for a two-year payment waiver for a Bureau of Reclamation project in Dickenson, North Dakota. **Page 12747**

Domenici (for Murray/Gorton) Modified Amendment No. 2727, to increase funding for energy supply programs of the Department of Energy. **Pages 12747, 12754**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that S. 2138 remain at the desk pending receipt of the House companion measure, that all after the enacting clause be stricken and the text of S. 2138, as passed by the Senate, be inserted in lieu thereof, that the bill be passed, the Senate insist on its amendment, request a conference with the House thereon, the Chair be authorized to appoint the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Domenici, Cochran, Gorton, McConnell, Bennett, Burns, Craig, Stevens, Reid, Byrd, Hollings, Murray, Kohl, Dorgan, and Inouye; and that the passage of S. 2138 be vitiated, and S. 2138 be indefinitely postponed. **Page 12754**

Withdrawn:

Coats Modified Amendment No. 2716, to provide authority for States to limit the interstate transportation of municipal solid waste. **Page 12731**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 54 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. 164), Senate agreed to table a motion to waive the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 with respect to consideration of Daschle Amendment No. 2714, to reform and structure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, and the amendment thus fell. **Page 12713**

By 96 yeas to 2 nays (Vote No. 163), Senate agreed to a motion to instruct the Sergeant at Arms to request the attendance of absent Senators. **Page 12715**

Coastal Barrier Boundary Corrections: Senate passed S. 1104, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make corrections in maps relating to the Coastal Barrier Resources System. **Page 12848**

Life Insurance Payment Precedence: Senate passed H.R. 1316, to amend chapter 87 of title 5, United States Code, with respect to the order of precedence to be applied in the payment of life insurance benefits, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 12848**

Indian Employment and Training Programs: Senate passed S. 1279, to amend the Indian Employment, Training and Related Services Demonstration Act of 1992 to provide for the transfer of services and personnel from the Bureau of Indian Affairs to the Office of Self-Governance, to emphasize the need for job creation on Indian reservations, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 12848**

Agriculture Appropriations, 1999: Senate began consideration of S. 2159, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year

ending September 30, 1999, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 12755, 12766**

Pending:

Daschle Amendment No. 2729, to reform and structure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use. **Page 12769**

Department of Defense Authorizations: Senate resumed consideration of S. 2057, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, and to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, with the following amendments proposed thereto: **Page 12847**

Pending:

Feinstein Amendment No. 2405, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the Indian nuclear tests. **Page 12847**

Brownback Amendment No. 2407 (to Amendment No. 2405), to repeal a restriction on the provision of certain assistance and other transfers to Pakistan. **Page 12847**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Friday, June 19, 1998.

Appointments:

Mexico-U.S. Interparliamentary Group Meeting: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 276h-276k, as amended, appointed the following Senators as members of the Senate Delegation to the Mexico-U.S. Interparliamentary Group Meeting during the Second Session of the 105th Congress, to be held in Morelia, Mexico, June 19-21, 1998: Senators Roberts and Sessions. **Page 12847**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Q. Todd Dickinson, of Pennsylvania, to be Deputy Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks.

Michael H. Trujillo, of New Mexico, to be Director of the Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services. **Pages 12848, 12850**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

John Bruce Craig, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Sultanate of Oman.

Robert C. Felder, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Benin.

James Vela Ledesma, of California, to be Ambassador to the Gabonese Republic and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe.

Elizabeth Davenport McKune, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the State of Qatar.

George Mu, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Cote d'Ivoire.

Robert Cephas Perry, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Central African Republic.

David Michael Satterfield, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Lebanon.

Joseph Gerard Sullivan, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Angola.

Diane Edith Watson, of California, to be Ambassador to the Federated States of Micronesia.

Melissa Foelsch Wells, of Connecticut, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Estonia.

Kent M. Wiedemann, of California, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Cambodia.

3 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—165) **Pages 12715, 12716, 12747**

Quorum Calls: One quorum call was taken today. (Total—2) **Page 12715**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 7:43 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Friday, June 19, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 12850.)

Committee Meetings

FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPETITIVENESS ACT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee resumed hearings on H.R. 10, to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, and other financial service providers, receiving testimony from James F. Higgins, Morgan Stanley, Dean Witter and Company, on behalf of the Securities Industry Association, John H. Biggs, Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association, on behalf of the American Council of Life Insurance and the American Insurance Association, and Robert A. Miller, New York State Association of Life Underwriters, on behalf of the Independent Insurance

Agents of America, Inc., all of New York, New York; Matthew P. Fink, Investment Company Institute, and John G. Heimann, Merrill Lynch and Company, on behalf of the Financial Services Council, both of Washington, D.C.; William A. Fitzgerald, Commercial Federal Bank, Omaha, Nebraska, on behalf of America's Community Bankers; William T. McConnell, Park National Corporation, Newark, Ohio, on behalf of the American Bankers Association; Richard M. Kovacevich, Norwest Corporation, Minneapolis, Minnesota, on behalf of the Bankers Roundtable; and William L. McQuillian, City National Bank, Greeley, Nebraska, on behalf of the Independent Bankers Association of America.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NATIONAL RIVERS AND TRAILS SYSTEMS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation concluded hearings on the following bills:

S. 469, to designate a portion of the Sudbury, Assabet, and Concord Rivers as a component of the National Wild and Scenic River System, after receiving testimony from William H. Sullivan, Study Committee on Sudbury, Assabet, and Concord Rivers, Concord, Massachusetts;

S. 1665, to authorize funds for the Delaware and Lehigh Navigation Canal National Heritage Corridor Act, after receiving testimony from Gerald R. Bastoni, Delaware and Lehigh Navigation Canal National Heritage Corridor Commission, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania;

S. 2039, to designate El Camino Real de Tierra Adentro as a National Historic Trail, after receiving testimony from Liddie Martinez, El Camino Real de Tierra Adentro Committee, Alcalde, New Mexico; and

H.R. 2186, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance to the National Historic Trails Interpretive Center in Casper, Wyoming, after receiving testimony from Fran Cherry, Acting Assistant Director for Renewable Resources and Planning, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior, and Dorothy Perkins, National Historic Trails Center, Casper, Wyoming.

Testimony was also received on S. 469, S. 1665, S. 2039 (all listed above), and S. 1016, to authorize funds for the Coastal Heritage Trail Route in New Jersey, from Destry Jarvis, Assistant Director for External Affairs, National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

U.S.-CHINA RELATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs concluded hearings to examine recent changes in congressional views of the bilateral relationship between the United States and the People's Republic of China, and H.R. 967, to prohibit the use of United States funds to provide for the participation of certain Chinese officials in international conferences, programs, and activities and to provide that certain Chinese officials shall be ineligible to receive visas and excluded

from admission to the United States, H.R. 2358, to provide for improved monitoring of human rights violations in the People's Republic of China, H.R. 2386, to implement the provisions of the Taiwan Relations Act concerning the stability and security of Taiwan and United States cooperation with Taiwan on the development and acquisition of defensive military articles, H.R. 2570, to condemn those officials of the Chinese Communist Party, the Government of the People's Republic of China, and other persons who are involved in the enforcement of forced abortions by preventing such persons from entering or remaining in the United States, and H.R. 2605, to require the United States to oppose the making of concessional loans by international financial institutions to any entity in the People's Republic of China, after receiving testimony from Stanley O. Roth, Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs; and Robert A. Kapp, United States-China Business Council, and Nicholas R. Lardy, Brookings Institution, both of Washington, D.C.

SATELLITE EXPORT CONTROLS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation, and Federal Services held hearings to examine whether the Department of Commerce's commercial satellite export control policy and process toward China is adequate to prevent technology transfers which pose a threat to United States security, receiving testimony from William A. Reinsch, Under Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration; Jan M. Lodal, Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy; and John D. Holum, Acting Under Secretary of State for Arms Control and International Security Affairs.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following measures:

H.R. 1211, for the relief of Global Exploration and Development Corporation, Kerr-McGee Corporation, and Kerr-McGee Chemical Corporation, with amendments; and

S. Res. 176, proclaiming the week of October 18 through October 24, 1998, as "National Character Counts Week".

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of John D. Kelly, of North Dakota, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit, Kim McLean Wardlaw, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Raner Christercunean Collins, to be United States District Judge for the District of Arizona, Robert G. James, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana, Dan A. Polster, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Ohio, and Ralph E.

Tyson, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Louisiana, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Kelly was introduced by Senators Conrad and Dorgan and Representative Pomeroy, Ms. Wardlaw was introduced by Senators Feinstein and Boxer, Mr. Collins was introduced by Senator Kyl, Messrs. James and Tyson were introduced by Senators Breaux and Landrieu, and Mr. Polster was introduced by Senators DeWine and Glenn.

INTERNATIONAL DRUG CONTROL

United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control: Caucus concluded hearings to examine current international drug-consumption trends and how the United States and the international community are addressing the problem of the increasing demand for illegal drugs, after receiving testimony from Barry R. McCaffrey, Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy; R. Rand Beers, Acting Assistant Secretary of State for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs; Robert L. DuPont, Institute for Behavior and Health, Inc., Rockville, Maryland; Thomas J. Gleaton, Parents Resource Institute on Drug Education, and Sue Rusche, National Families in Action, both of Atlanta, Georgia; J. Paul Molloy, Oxford House, Inc., Silver Spring, Maryland; and Ernst W. Aeschbach, Association for the Advancement of Psychological Understanding of Human Nature, Zurich, Switzerland.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 12 public bills, H.R. 4077–4088; 1 private bill, H.R. 4089; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 479 were introduced. **Page 12966**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 3853, to promote drug-free workplace programs, amended (H. Rept. 105–584);

H. Res. 477, providing for consideration of H.R. 4059, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–585); and

H. Res. 478, providing for consideration of H.R. 4060, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–586). **Page 12966**

Education Savings Act for Public and Private Schools: The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 2646, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, and to increase the maximum annual amount of

contributions to such accounts, by a ye and nay vote of 225 yeas to 197 nays, Roll No. 243. **Page 12855**

Rejected the Rangel motion to recommit the conference report to the committee of conference with instructions to agree to provisions relating to tax-favored financing for public school construction consistent, to the maximum extent possible within the scope of conference, with the approach taken in H.R. 3320, the Public School Modernization Act of 1998 by a ye and nay vote of 196 yeas to 225 nays, Roll No. 242. **Page 12866**

H. Res. 471, the rule that waived points of order against the conference report was agreed to on June 17.

Select Committee on U.S. Concerns with China: The House agreed to H. Res. 463, to establish the Select Committee on U.S. National Security and Military/Commercial Concerns with the People's Republic of China, by a ye and nay vote of 409 yeas to 10 nays, Roll No. 245. **Page 12876**

H. Res. 476, the rule that provided for consideration of the resolution, was agreed to by a voice vote. Earlier, agreed to order the previous question by a ye and nay vote of 226 yeas to 197 nays, Roll No. 244. Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the resolution, H. Rept. 105–582 was considered as adopted. **Page 12868**

Bipartisan Campaign Integrity Act: The House resumed debate on H.R. 2183, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to reform the financing of campaigns for elections for Federal office. The bill was previously debated on May 22 and June 17. **Page 12912**

Agreed to H. Res. 458, the rule providing for further consideration of the bill by a recorded vote of 221 yeas to 189 noes, Roll No. 247. Earlier, agreed to order the previous question by a ye and nay vote of 221 yeas to 194 nays, Roll No. 246. **Page 12902**

H. Res. 442, the rule that is providing for consideration of specified amendments in the nature of a substitute was agreed to on May 21.

Pending Amendments:

The Shays amendment in the nature of a substitute was offered and debated that seeks to ban soft money that influences Federal elections; redefine "express advocacy" as it applies to independent groups and party organizations to include radio and television advertisements within 60 days of an election; permit only hard money to be used for "express advocacy"; require electronic filing and FEC reports to be posted on the internet; increase individual campaign contribution limits; prohibit political party coordinated expenditures to candidates who spend more than \$50,000 of their personal funds; and codify the Beck Supreme Court ruling that employees can not be required to pay union dues for political activities; and **Page 12912**

The Thomas amendment to the Shays amendment in the nature of a substitute was offered and debated that seeks to add a section requiring the nonseverability of the

provisions of the Act. A recorded vote on the amendment was postponed.

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Late Report—Committee on Appropriations: The Committee on Appropriations received permission to have until midnight on Friday, June 19 to file a report on a bill making Appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies.

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Mexico-United States Interparliamentary Group: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representatives Dreier, Barton of Texas, Ballenger, Manzullo, Bilbray, Sanford, Hamilton, Filner, Delahunt, and Reyes to the Mexico-United States Interparliamentary Group, in addition to Representative Kolbe, Chairman, and Representative Gilman, Vice Chairman who were appointed on April 27.

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Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 12967.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Five yea and nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 12866, 12867, 12876, 12901, 12911, and 12912. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:28 p.m.

Committee Meetings

SELECTIVE AGRICULTURAL EMBARGOES ACT; RECREATIONAL CABIN FEES

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered reported amended H.R. 3654, Selective Agricultural Embargoes Act of 1998.

The Committee also held a hearing on H.R. 3765, to gradually increase the fees paid by current holders of Forest Service special use permits that authorize the construction and occupancy of private recreation houses or cabins. Testimony was heard from Gloria Manning, Associate Deputy Chief, National Forest System, USDA; and public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the Legislative Appropriations for fiscal year 1999.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the District of Columbia held a hearing on District of Columbia's Fiscal Year 1999 Budget Request. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the District of Columbia: Marion Barry, Jr., Mayor; and Linda W. Cropp, Chairman, Council; and Andrew F. Brimmer, D.C. Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior approved for full Committee action the Interior appropriations for fiscal year 1999.

VA-HUD-INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies approved for full Committee action the VA, HUD and Independent Agencies appropriations for fiscal year 1999.

BUDGET PROCESS REFORM

Committee on the Budget: Task Force on Budget Process held a hearing on Members' Proposals to Reform the Budget Process. Testimony was heard from Representatives Cox of California, Barton of Texas, Stenholm, Sabo and Castle.

ELECTRONIC COMMERCE

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials held a hearing on Electronic Commerce: Investing On-line. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

WIPO COPYRIGHT TREATIES IMPLEMENTATION ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 2281, WIPO Copyright Treaties Implementation Act.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT PRACTICES—LEGISLATIVE OPTIONS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held a hearing on Making the Federal Government Accountable: Legislative Options to Improve Financial Management Practices. Testimony was heard from Representatives Arme and Neumann; Gene L. Dodaro, Assistant Comptroller General, GAO; and a public witness.

DRUG CULTURE—SHATTERING MYTHS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Security, International Affairs, and Criminal Justice held a hearing on "Shattering the Myths of the Drug Culture-Celebrity Role Models Just Say No." Testimony was heard from Representatives Watts of Oklahoma and Ryun; and public witnesses.

INDIA-PAKISTAN NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific held a hearing on India-Pakistan Nuclear Proliferation. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Karl F. Inderfurth, Assistant Secretary, South Asian Affairs; and Robert J. Einhorn, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Nonproliferation; and David Aaron, Under Secretary, International Trade, Department of Commerce.

CLASS ACTION JURISDICTION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property held a hearing on H.R. 3789, Class Action Jurisdiction Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Representative Moran of Virginia; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2986, for the relief of the survivors of the 14 members of the Armed Forces and the one United States civilian who were killed on April 14, 1994, when the United States fighter aircraft mistakenly shot down 2 helicopters in Iraq; and H.R. 3022, to amend title 19, United States Code, to authorize the settlement and payment of claims against the United States for injury and death of members of the Armed Forces and Department of Defense civilian employees arising from incidents in which claims are settle for death or injury of foreign nationals. Testimony was heard from Representative Collins; Eljay B. Bowron, Assistant Comptroller General, Special Investigations, GAO; Capt. Elliott L. Bloxom, USN, Director of Compensation, Military Personnel Policy, Office of Under Secretary (Personnel and Readiness), Department of Defense; Donald M. Remy, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Civil Division, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

EXPORTS OF SATELLITES TO CHINA—U.S. POLICY

Committee on National Security: and the Committee on International Relations continued joint hearings on U.S. policy regarding the export of satellites to China. Testimony was heard from Jan Lodel, Principal Deputy Under Secretary, Policy, Department of Defense; John Holum, Acting Under Secretary, Political Affairs, Department of State; and William Reinsch, Under Secretary, Export Administration, Department of Commerce.

Hearings continue June 23.

ROYALTY ENHANCEMENT ACT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3334, Royalty Enhancement Act of 1998.

GREAT LAKES FISH AND WILDLIFE RESTORATION ACT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans held a hearing on H.R. 1481, Great Lakes Fish and Wildlife Restoration Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Representatives LaTourette and English of Pennsylvania; Gary Edwards, Assistant Director, Fisheries, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; Gavin C. Christie, Integrated Management of Sea Lamprey Specialist, Great

Lakes Fishery Commission, Department of State; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2970, National Historic Lighthouse Preservation Act of 1997; H.R. 3746, to authorize the addition of the Paoli Battlefield site in Malvern, Pennsylvania, to the Valley Forge National Historical Park; H.R. 3883, to revise the boundary of the Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historic Site to include Knob Creek Farm; and H.R. 3910, Automobile National Heritage Area Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Representatives Weldon of Pennsylvania, Souder, Lewis of Kentucky, Dingell, Levin, Knollenberg and Upton; Denis Galvin, Deputy Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1688, Lewis and Clark Rural Water System Act of 1997; H.R. 2108, Dutch John Federal Property Disposition and Assistance Act of 1997; and H.R. 2306, Fort Peck Reservation Rural Water System Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Senator Johnson; Representatives Thune, Minge, and Latham; Eluid Martinez, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; Susan D. Kladiva, Associate Director, Energy, Resources and Science Issues, GAO; Gary Hanson, Mayor, Sioux Falls, State of South Dakota; and public witnesses.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 4059, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations and legislative provisions in general appropriations bill), and clause 6 of rule XXI (prohibiting re-appropriations in general appropriations bills).

The rule permits the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question provided the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Finally, the rule provides that the allocations contemplated by section 302(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 shall be considered as made to the Committee on Appropriations.

Testimony was heard from Representatives Packard and Hefner.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 4060, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30 1999. The rule waives clause 7 of rule XXI (requiring relevant printed hearings and reports to be available for three-days prior to the consideration of a general appropriations bill) against consideration of the bill.

The rule waives clause 2 (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations or legislative provisions in a general appropriations bill); clause 5(b) (prohibiting tax or tariff provisions in a bill not reported by a committee with jurisdiction over revenue measures); and clause 6 (prohibiting re-appropriations in a general appropriations bill) of rule XXI against the bill.

The rule permits the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule also allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. The rule provides one motion to re-commit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives McDade and Fazio.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 4058, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize programs of the Federal Aviation Administration; H.R. 2748, amended, Airline Service Improvement Act; and H.R. 4057, amended, Airport Improvement Program Reauthorization Act of 1998, 9:30 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

VETERANS LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Benefits approved for full Committee action a measure providing the following: a cost-of-living adjustment and making various improvements in education, housing, and cemetery programs; and administrative provisions relating to the Board of Veterans' Appeals and the Court of Veterans Appeals.

Prior to this action, the Subcommittee held a hearing on these proposals. Testimony was heard from Nora Egan, Deputy Under Secretary, Management, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and representatives of veterans organizations.

FUTURE OF SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security continued hearings on the Future of Social Security for this Generation and the Next, examining proposals regarding personal accounts. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

U.S.-VIETNAM TRADE RELATIONS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade held a hearing on U.S.-Vietnam trade relations, including the Administration's renewal of Vietnam's waiver under the Jackson-Vanik amendment to the Trade Act of 1974. Testimony was heard from Senator Kerry; Representatives Smith of New Jersey and Rohrabacher; Pete Peterson, Ambassador to Vietnam; and public witnesses.

CHINA AND MISSILE TECHNOLOGY TRANSFERS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on China and Missile Technology Transfers. Testimony was heard from George J. Tenet, Director, CIA.

Joint Meetings

ORGAN DONATION ALLOCATION

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources and the House Committee on Commerce Subcommittee on Health and Environment concluded hearings to examine the allocation process of distributing transplant organs, and proposals to revise Department of Health and Human Services' organ donation regulations, after receiving testimony from Senators Torricelli, Santorum, Kerrey, and Hollings; Representatives Barrett, Stokes, Boswell, Thurman, and Inglis; Donna Shalala, Secretary of Health and Human Services; Lawrence G. Hunsicker, University of Iowa Hospital and Clinic, Iowa City, and Walter Graham, Richmond, Virginia, both on behalf of UNOS; James F. Childress, University of Virginia, Charlottesville; Ron Busuttil, University of California at Los Angeles Medical Center, Los Angeles, California; Mark A. Joenson, CONSAD Research Corporation, Jorge D. Reyes, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, and Alan Pritsker, Pritsker Corporation, all of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Hector C. Ramos, Lifelink Transplant Institute, Tampa, Florida; Clive Callender, Howard University Transplant Center, Washington, D.C.; Jeffrey Reese, University of Vermont, Burlington; William E. Harmon, Children's Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts; Bruce Weir, Transplant Recipients International Organization, Cleveland, Ohio; Peggy Dreker, Kearny, New Jersey; and Tom Meredith, Antioch, Tennessee.

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Five bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2194–2198, S. Res. 252, and S. Con. Res. 104. **Page 13089**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1677, to reauthorize the North American Wetlands Conservation Act and the Partnerships for Wildlife Act. (S. Rept. No. 105–218)

H.R. 1211, for the relief of Global Exploration and Development Corporation, Kerr-McGee Corporation, and Kerr-McGee Chemical Corporation, with an amendment.

S. Res. 176, proclaiming the week of October 18 through October 24, 1998, as "National Character Counts Week". **Page 13088**

Measures Passed:

Commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the Integration of the Armed Forces: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 104, commemorating the 50th anniversary of the integration of the Armed Forces. **Page 13115**

Nazi War Crimes Disclosure Act: Senate passed S. 1379, to amend section 552 of title 5, United States Code, and the National Security Act of 1947 to require disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act regarding certain persons, and disclose Nazi war criminal records without impairing any investigation or prosecution conducted by the Department of Justice or certain intelligence matters, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 13116**

Warner (for DeWine/Leahy) Amendment No. 2782, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 13117**

Department of Defense Authorizations: Senate resumed consideration of S. 2057, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, and to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 13030, 13051**

Adopted:

Thurmond Amendment No. 2738, to reduce amounts authorized to be appropriated under titles I, II, and III and division B in order to reflect savings resulting from revised economic assumptions, and to increase funding for operation and maintenance for the Army National Guard and funding for verification and control technology of the Department of Energy. **Page 13057**

Levin (for Biden) Amendment No. 2739, to provide increases in the monthly rates of hazardous duty pay for aerial flight crewmembers in grades E-4 through E-9 that are comparable to the increases that took effect in the rates of such pay for other grades in fiscal year 1998. **Page 13058**

Thurmond Amendment No. 2449, regarding ship transfers to foreign countries. **Page 13059**

Levin (for Ford/Bond/Lott/Stevens/Grassley) Amendment No. 2740, to revise and clarify the authority for Federal support of National Guard drug interdiction and counterdrug activities. **Page 13060**

Thurmond Amendment No. 2741, to establish additional requirements relating to the relocation of Federal frequencies. **Page 13061**

Levin (for Feinstein) Amendment No. 2742, to prohibit members of the Armed Forces from entering into correctional facilities to present decorations to persons who commit certain crimes before being presented such decorations. **Page 13062**

Thurmond/Levin Amendment No. 2743, to make technical corrections to certain provisions relating to military construction projects. **Page 13062**

Thurmond (for Kempthorne/Cleland/Akaka) Amendment No. 2744, to waive time limitations for award of the Distinguished-Service Cross and Distinguished-Service medal to certain persons. **Page 13062**

Thurmond (for Warner) Amendment No. 2745, to reduce the authority in section 1012 to enter into long-term charters for three vessels in support of submarine rescue, escort, and towing. **Page 13063**

Thurmond (for McCain) Amendment No. 2746, to broaden the eligibility for diving duty special pay to include personnel who maintain proficiency as a diver while serving in a position for which diving is a nonprimary duty. **Page 13064**

Thurmond (for Coats/Glenn) Amendment No. 2747, to authorize the Secretary of the Navy to enter into multiyear contracts under certain aircraft procurement programs. **Page 13064**

Thurmond (for Warner) Amendment No. 2748, to transfer \$15,895,000 between Navy authorizations for the remote minehunting system program. **Page 13064**

Thurmond/Levin/Santorum/Lieberman Amendment No. 2749, to modify the authority relating to the Department of Defense Laboratory Revitalization Demonstration Program. **Page 13065**

Levin Amendment No. 2750, to redesignate the position of Director of Defense Research and Engineering, abolish the position of Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Nuclear and Chemical and Biological Defense Programs, and transfer the duties of the latter position to the former position. **Page 13065**

Thurmond Amendment No. 2751, to make technical corrections to section 802, relating to procurement of travel services. **Page 13066**

Thurmond (for Warner) Amendment No. 2752, to require a plan for facilitating a rapid transition from successfully completed research under the Small Business Innovation Research program into defense acquisition programs. **Page 13066**

Levin (for Lieberman) Amendment No. 2753, to set aside RDT&E funds for a NATO alliance ground surveillance concept definition. **Page 13067**

Thurmond (for Warner) Amendment No. 2754, to provide a period of open enrollment for the Survivor Benefit Plan. **Page 13067**

Thurmond (for Thompson/Glenn) Amendment No. 2755, to revise a definition of the term "senior executive" for purposes of the limitation on allowability of compensation for certain contractor personnel. **Page 13068**

Thurmond (for Thompson/Glenn) Amendment No. 2756, to apply certain revisions of commercial pricing regulations government wide. **Page 13069**

Thurmond (for Thompson/Glenn) Amendment No. 2757, to prevent the automatic application to a sub-contract of an exceptional waiver of requirements for submission of cost or pricing data that is granted in the case of the prime contract. **Page 13069**

Thurmond (for DeWine/Inhofe) Amendment No. 2758, to require physicians providing military health care to possess unrestricted licenses, and to require the establishment of a system for monitoring the satisfaction of applicable continuing medical education requirements. **Page 13070**

Thurmond (for Grassley) Amendment No. 2759, to clarify the eligibility of dependents of United States Customs Service employees to enroll in Department of Defense dependents schools in Puerto Rico. **Page 13071**

Thurmond (for Roberts) Amendment No. 2760, to require a report relating to the so-called "1 plus 1 barracks initiative". **Page 13072**

Levin (for Graham/DeWine/Grassley) Amendment No. 2761, to express the sense of the Congress that a higher priority should be given drug interdiction and counter-drug activities of the Department of Defense under the Global Military Force Policy. **Page 13073**

Thurmond (for Santorum) Amendment No. 2762, to authorize the Secretary of the Navy to enter into a barter agreement during fiscal years 1999 through 2003 to exchange vehicles for repair and remanufacture of ribbon bridges for the Marine Corps. **Page 13073**

Levin (for Graham) Amendment No. 2763, to enhance the fiscal position of the Center for Hemispheric Defense Studies for meeting the increasing responsibilities designated for the Center by the Secretary of Defense. **Page 13073**

Thurmond (for Gorton/Murray) Amendment No. 2764, to authorize the Secretary of Energy to enter into cost-sharing partnerships to operate the Hazardous Materials Management and Emergency Response training facility, Richland, Washington. **Page 13074**

Thurmond (for Coverdell) Amendment No. 2765, to add home school diploma recipients to the pilot program for treating GED recipients as high school graduates for enlistment purposes. **Page 13074**

Thurmond (for Gorton) Amendment No. 2766, to state the sense of the Senate regarding oil spill prevention training for personnel on board Navy vessels. **Page 13075**

Levin (for Reid) Amendment No. 2767, to add \$4,000,000 for research and development on the expeditionary common automatic recovery and landing system and \$1,000,000 for research and development on the K-band testing obscuration pairing system, and to offset the increase by reducing the amount for Marine Corps procurement for communications and electronic infrastructure support by \$5,000,000. **Page 13075**

Thurmond (for Mack) Amendment No. 2768, to expand certain land conveyance authority, Eglin Air Force Base, Florida. **Page 13075**

Thurmond (for Allard/Campbell) Amendment No. 2769, to authorize the conveyance of certain water rights and related rights at Rocky Mountain Arsenal, Colorado, for purposes of acquiring certain perpetual contracts for water. **Page 13076**

Levin (for Murray) Amendment No. 2770, to make available \$2,500,000 for the activities of the Hanford Health Information Network. **Page 13077**

Thurmond/Bingaman Amendment No. 2771, to extend the authority of the Secretary of Energy to appoint certain scientific, engineering, and technical personnel. **Page 13077**

Thurmond/Bingaman Amendment No. 2772, to extend the authority of the Department of Energy to pay voluntary separation incentive payments through December 31, 2000. **Page 13077**

Thurmond (for Grams/D'Amato) Amendment No. 2773, to extend the reauthorize the Defense Production Act of 1950. **Page 13078**

Thurmond Amendment No. 2774, to establish certain budgeting and other policies regarding United States operations in Bosnia and Herzegovina. **Page 13078**

Thurmond (for Snowe/Cleland) Amendment No. 2775, to require the Secretary of Defense to submit to Congress a report on the objectives of a contingency operation when the President submits to Congress the first request for funding the operation. **Page 13079**

Levin (for Robb/Santorum) Amendment No. 2776, to carry out a pilot program for revitalizing the laboratories and test and evaluation centers of the Department of Defense. **Page 13080**

Thurmond (for Gramm/McCain) Amendment No. 2777, to protect the voting rights of military personnel. **Page 13081**

Thurmond (for Warner) Amendment No. 2778, to require a review and report on research on pharmacological interventions for reversing brain injury resulting from

head injuries incurred in combat or exposures to chemical weapons. **Page 13081**

Thurmond (for Bond) Amendment No. 2779, to modify the authority relating to the demonstration project to provide the FEHBP health care option to medicare-eligible military health care beneficiaries. **Page 13081**

Levin/Thurmond Amendment No. 2780, to authorize amounts for NATO common-funded budgets. **Page 13082**

Levin Amendment No. 2781, to require reports on the development of the European Security and Defense Identity within the NATO Alliance. **Page 13082**

Pending:

Feinstein Amendment No. 2405, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the Indian nuclear tests. **Page 13030**

Brownback Amendment No. 2407 (to Amendment No. 2405), to repeal a restriction on the provision of certain assistance and other transfers to Pakistan. **Page 13030**

Warner motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Armed Services with instructions to report back forthwith with all amendments agreed to in status quo and with a Warner Amendment No. 2735 (to the instructions on the motion to recommit), condemning forced abortions in the People's Republic of China. **Page 13054**

Warner Amendment No. 2736 (to the instructions of the motion to recommit), of a perfecting nature. **Page 13055**

Warner Amendment No. 2737 (to Amendment No. 2736), condemning human rights abuses in the People's Republic of China. **Page 13056**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Tuesday, June 23, 1998. **Page 13056**

Senate will resume consideration of the bill on Monday, June 22, 1998.

Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the nomination of Susan Oki Mollway, of Hawaii, to be United States District Judge for the District of Hawaii, on Monday, June 22, 1998 at 3 p.m., with a vote to occur thereon. **Page 13115**

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaty:

Treaty with Estonia on Mutual Legal Assistance In Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 105-52).

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and was ordered to be printed. **Page 13122**

Executive Reports of Committees: Senate received the following executive reports of a committee:

Report to accompany the Convention for the Protection of Plants, with one reservation, two declarations, and one proviso. (Treaty Doc. 104-17) (Exec. Rept. No. 105-15) **Page 13088**

Report to accompany the International Grains Agreement, 1995, with one declaration and one proviso. (Treaty Doc. 105-4) (Exec. Rept. No. 105-16) **Page 13088**

Report to accompany the Trademark Law Treaty with Regulations, with two declarations and one proviso. (Treaty Doc. 105-35) (Exec. Rept. No. 105-17) **Page 13089**

Report to accompany the Amendments to the Convention on the International Maritime Organization, with one declaration and one proviso. (Treaty Doc. 104-36) (Exec. Rept. No. 105-18) **Page 13089**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Saul N. Ramirez, Jr., of Texas, to be Deputy Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Eric David Newsom, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general. **Page 13125**

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Additional Statements: **Page 13109**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 3:20 p.m., until 12 noon, on Monday, June 22, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 13122.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 11 public bills, H.R. 4090-4100; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 291-292, and H. Res. 480-481 were introduced. **Page 13028**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 3849, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to establish a national policy against Federal and State regulation of Internet access and online services, and to exercise congressional jurisdiction over interstate and foreign commerce by establishing a moratorium on the imposition of exactions that would interfere with the free

flow of commerce conducted over the Internet, amended (H. Rept. 105-570, part 2);

H.R. 3892, to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to establish a program to help children and youth learn English, amended (H. Rept. 105-587); and

H.R. 4101, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105-588). **Page 13027**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative LaTourette to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 12989**

Military Construction Appropriations Act: The House agreed to H. Res. 477, the rule providing for consideration of H.R. 4059, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 by a yeas and nays vote of 231 yeas to 178 nays, Roll No. 248. **Pages 12991, 13002**

Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act: The House agreed to H. Res. 478, the rule providing for consideration of H.R. 4060, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. **Page 12998**

Bipartisan Campaign Integrity Act: The House resumed debate on H.R. 2183, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to reform the financing of campaigns for elections for Federal office. The bill was previously debated on May 22, June 17, and June 18. **Page 13003**

Agreed To:

The Maloney of New York amendment to the Shays amendment in the nature of a substitute that establishes a 12 member Independent Commission on Campaign Finance Reform to submit recommendations within 180 days after the 105th Congress adjourns with recommendations to be considered similar to those for the Base Closure and Realignment Commission (agreed to by a recorded vote of 325 yeas to 78 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 250); and **Page 13004**

The Gillmor amendment to the Shays amendment in the nature of a substitute that adds provisions to ensure the equal participation of eligible voters in campaigns and elections notwithstanding the fact that the voter that lives outside of the United States or is employed by a foreign subsidiary or a multinational corporation (agreed to by a recorded vote of 395 yeas with none voting "no" and 3 voting "present," No. 251). **Page 13010**

Rejected:

The Thomas amendment to the Shays amendment in the nature of a substitute, debated on June 18, that sought to add a section requiring the nonseverability of the provisions of the Act by a recorded vote of 155 yeas to 254 nays, Roll No. 249. **Page 13003**

Pending Amendments:

The Shays amendment in the nature of a substitute was offered and debated on June 18 that seeks to ban soft money; redefine "express advocacy"; increase individual campaign contribution limits; prohibit political party coordinated expenditures to candidates who spend more than \$50,000 of their personal funds; and codify the Beck Supreme Court ruling that employees can not be required to pay union dues for political activities; and **Page 13003**

The Doolittle amendment to the Shays amendment in the nature of a substitute was offered and debated that stipulates that the term "express advocacy" shall not apply with respect to any communication which provides information on the voting record or positions on issues taken by an individual holding Federal office or a candidate for Federal office; the amendment confirms the Buckley court decision. **Page 13013**

H. Res. 442 and H. Res. 458, the rules that are providing for consideration of the bill were agreed to on May 21 and June 18 respectively.

Legislative Program: Representative Goss announced the legislative program for the week of June 22. **Page 13020**

Meeting Hour—Monday, June 22: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, June 22, for morning hour debate. **Page 13021**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with calendar Wednesday business of June 24. **Page 13021**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 12989.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 13029.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yeas and nays vote and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 13002, 13003, 13009, and 13013. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 2:41 p.m.

Committee Meetings

BORDER SMOG REDUCTION ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 8, Border Smog Reduction Act of 1997.

AMERICAN WORKER PROJECT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on American Worker Project: Evaluating Regulatory Practices at the U.S. Department of Labor. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Labor: Ida Castro, Acting Director, Women's Bureau; and Suzanne Seiden,

Director, Special Projects, Wage and Hour Division; and a public witness.

COMMUNITY PROTECTION ACT; PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER MEDAL OF VALOR ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime approved for full Committee action the following: H.R. 218, amended, Community Protection Act of 1997; and the Public Safety Officer Medal of Valor Act of 1998.

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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 13141–13241

Measures Introduced: Three bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2199–2201. **Page 13173**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1758, to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to facilitate protection of tropical forests through debt reduction with developing countries with tropical forests, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 105–219) **Page 13173**

Department of Defense Authorizations: Senate resumed consideration of S. 2057, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, and to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 13141, 13168**

Pending:

Feinstein Amendment No. 2405, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the Indian nuclear tests. **Page 13141**

Brownback Amendment No. 2407 (to Amendment No. 2405), to repeal a restriction on the provision of certain assistance and other transfers to Pakistan. **Page 13141**

Warner motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Armed Services with instructions to report back forthwith with all amendments agreed to in status quo and with a Warner Amendment No. 2735 (to the instructions on the motion to recommit), condemning forced abortions in the People's Republic of China. **Page 13141**

Warner Amendment No. 2736 (to the instructions of the motion to recommit), of a perfecting nature. **Page 13141**

Warner Modified Amendment No. 2737 (to Amendment No. 2736), condemning human rights abuses in the People's Republic of China. **Pages 13141, 13168**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Tuesday, June 23, 1998, with a vote on a motion to close further debate to occur thereon at 2:15 p.m.

Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By 56 yeas to 34 nays (Vote No. 166, EX), Susan Oki Mollway, of Hawaii, to be United States District Judge for the District of Hawaii. **Pages 13157, 13168, 13241**

Nomination Received: Senate received the following nomination:

Lynn Jeanne Bush, of the District of Columbia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years. **Page 13241**

Communications: **Page 13170**

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Notices of Hearings: **Page 13237**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—166) **Page 13168**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon, and adjourned at 6:21 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, June 23, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 13241.)

Committee Meetings

NOMINATION

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Jacob Joseph Lew, of New York, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Moynihan, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

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Bills Introduced: 6 public bills, H.R. 4102–4107; 1 private bill, H.R. 4108; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 293–294, were introduced. **Page 13323**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.J. Res. 113, approving the location of a Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial in the Nation's Capital (H. Rept. 105–589);

Committee on Appropriations Report on the Suballocation of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 1999 (H. Rept. 105–590);

H.R. 4103, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105-591);

H.R. 4104, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105-592); and

H. Res. 482, providing for consideration of H.R. 4101, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105-593). **Page 13323**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Petri to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 13242**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:51 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m. **Page 13244**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Department of Justice Authorization Act: H.R. 3303, amended, to authorize appropriations for the Department of Justice for fiscal years 1999, 2000, and 2001; to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1999 and 2000 to carry out certain programs administered by the Department of Justice, and to amend title 28 of the United States Code with respect to the use of funds available to the Department of Justice; **Page 13245**

Supporting Federal Law Agents Efforts Regarding Mexican Financial Institutions: H. Con. Res. 288, expressing the sense of the Congress that the United States should support the efforts of Federal law enforcement agents engaged in investigation and prosecution of money laundering associated with Mexican financial institutions (passed by a ye and nay vote of 404 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 255); **Pages 13253, 13307**

Rejecting the Recommended Postal Rate Increase: H. Res. 452, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the Board of Governors of the United States Postal Service should reject the recommended decision issued by the Postal Rate Commission on May 11, 1998, to the extent that it provides for any increase in postage rates (agreed to by ye and nay vote of 393 yeas to 12 nays, Roll No. 256); **Pages 13257, 13308**

Approving Location of Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial in Washington, D.C.: H.J. Res. 113, approving the location of a Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial in the Nation's Capital; and **Page 13260**

Cape Cod National Seashore Land Exchange: H.R. 2411, amended, to provide for a land exchange involving the Cape Cod National Seashore and to extend the authority for the Cape Cod National Seashore Advisory Commission. **Page 13262**

Recess: The House recessed at 3:35 p.m. and reconvened at 4:20 p.m. **Page 13263**

Select Committee on National Security Re People's Republic of China: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following members to the Select Committee on U.S. National Security and Military/Commercial Concerns with the People's Republic of China: Representative Cox of California, Chairman; and Representatives Goss, Bereuter, Hansen, Weldon of Pennsylvania, Dicks, Spratt, Roybal-Allard, and Scott. **Page 13263**

Military Construction Appropriations Act: The House passed H.R. 4059, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 by a ye and nay vote of 396 yeas to 10 nays, Roll No. 254. **Pages 13263, 13306**

The House agreed to H. Res. 477, the rule providing for consideration of the bill on June 19.

Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act: The House passed H.R. 4060, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 by ye and nay vote of 405 yeas to 4 nays, Roll No. 253. **Page 13274**

Agreed to the Dan Schaefer of Colorado amendment that prohibits any funds to be used to provide economic assistance or payments under section 15 of the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant Land Withdrawal Act until the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant commences disposal operations. **Page 13303**

Rejected the Foley amendment that sought to reduce funding for the Energy Department's Nuclear Energy Research Initiative by \$5 million (rejected by a recorded vote of 147 yeas to 261 noes, Roll No. 252). **Pages 13298, 13305**

The House agreed to H. Res. 478, the rule providing for consideration of the bill on June 19.

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 13242.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 13324.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four ye and nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 13305, 13306, 13307, and 13308. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 10:28 p.m.

Committee Meetings

YEAR 2000: BIGGEST PROBLEMS—PROPOSED SOLUTIONS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information,

and Technology, hearing on Year 2000: Biggest Problems and Proposed Solutions. Testimony was heard from Edward DeSeve, Deputy Director, Management, OMB; Rona Stillman, Chief Scientist, Computers and Telecommunications, GAO; and public witnesses.

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted by voice vote, an open rule on H.R. 4101, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, providing one hour of general debate equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives clause 2(l)(6) of rule XI (relating to the 3 day availability of the report) and clause 7 of rule XXI (relating to the 3 day availability of printed hearings) against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendments printed in the report of the Committee on Rules shall be considered as adopted. The rule waives clause 2 (prohibiting unauthorized and legislative provisions in an appropriations bill) and clause 6 (prohibiting reappropriations in an appropriations bill) of rule XXI against the bill as amended. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows for the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Skeen, Nethercutt, Petri, Pombo, Lewis of Kentucky, Kaptur, Obey and Lowey.

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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 13336-13422

Measures Introduced: Seven bills and one resolution were introduced as follows: S. 2202-2208 and S. Res. 253. Page 13390

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1754, to amend the Public Health Service Act to consolidate and reauthorize health professions and minority and disadvantaged health professions and disadvantaged health education programs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105-220)

S. Res. 237, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the situation in Indonesia and East Timor. Page 13387

Measures Passed:

Energy and Water Development Appropriations: Pursuant to the order of June 18, 1998, Senate passed H.R. 4060, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 2138, Senate companion measure, as passed by the Senate. Also, pursuant to the order of June 18, 1998, Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the following conferees were appointed on the part of the Senate: Senators Domenici, Cochran, Gorton, McConnell, Bennett, Burns, Craig, Stevens, Reid, Byrd, Hollings, Murray, Kohl, Dorgan, and Inouye. Page 13365

Subsequently, the passage of S. 2138 was vitiated and the measure was indefinitely postponed. Page 13365

Department of Defense Authorizations: Senate resumed consideration of S. 2057, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, and to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: Pages 13336, 13365, 13367

Adopted:

Thurmond (for Warner) Amendment No. 2942, to clarify the responsibility for submission of information on prices previously charged for property or services offered. Page 13350

Levin (for Kerry/McCain/Smith of New Hampshire) Amendment No. 2943, to recognize and honor former South Vietnamese commandos. Page 13351

Thurmond (for Kerry/McCain/Smith of New Hampshire) Amendment No. 2944, to provide for payments to certain survivors of captured and interned Vietnamese operatives who were unmarried and childless at death. Page 13351

Levin (for Kerry/McCain/Smith of New Hampshire) Amendment No. 2945, to clarify the recipient of payments to Vietnamese operatives captured and interned by North Vietnam. Page 13352

Thurmond (for Bond) Amendment No. 2946, to extend the authorization and authorization of appropriations for the construction of an automated 100-meter baffled multi-purpose range at the National Guard Training Site in Jefferson City, Missouri. Page 13352

Levin (for Kennedy) Amendment No. 2803, to state the sense of the Senate regarding declassification of classified information of the Department of Defense and the Department of Energy. Page 13353

Thurmond (for Kyl) Amendment No. 2921, to require a visual examination of all documents released by the Na-

tional Archives to ensure that such documents do not contain restricted data or formerly restricted data.

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Levin/Conrad/Kempthorne/Kennedy/Bingaman Amendment No. 2947, to highlight the dangers posed by Russia's massive tactical nuclear stockpile, and urge the President to call on Russia to proceed expeditiously with promised reductions.

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Thurmond (for Grams) Amendment No. 2948, to provide for the presentation of a United States flag to members of the Armed Forces being released from active duty for retirement.

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Thurmond (for Hutchison) Amendment No. 2949, to require a report on options for the reduction of infrastructure costs at Brooks Air Force Base, Texas.

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Levin (for Inouye) Amendment No. 2950, to require a report regarding the potential for development of Ford Island within the Pearl Harbor Naval Complex, Oahu, Hawaii.

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Feinstein Amendment No. 2405, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the Indian nuclear tests.

Pages 13336, 13371

Brownback Modified Amendment No. 2407 (to Amendment No. 2405), to repeal a restriction on the provision of certain assistance and other transfers to Pakistan.

Pages 13336, 13368

Withdrawn:

Warner motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Armed Services with instructions to report back forthwith with all amendments agreed to in status quo and with a Warner Amendment No. 2735 (to the instructions on the motion to recommit), condemning forced abortions in the People's Republic of China.

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Warner Amendment No. 2736 (to the instructions of the motion to recommit), of a perfecting nature. (The amendment fell when the motion to recommit was withdrawn)

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Warner Modified Amendment No. 2737 (to Amendment No. 2736), condemning human rights abuses in the People's Republic of China. (The amendment fell when the motion to recommit was withdrawn)

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During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 14 yeas to 82 nays (Vote No. 167), Senate failed to table Amendment No. 2737, listed above.

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By a unanimous vote of 96 nays (Vote No. 168), Senate failed to table Division I of Amendment No. 2737, to condemn those officials of the Chinese Communist Party, the Government of the People's Republic of China, and other persons who are involved in the enforcement of forced abortions by preventing such persons from entering or remaining in the United States.

Pages 13342, 13356, 13365, 13367

By unanimous-consent agreement, the vote scheduled on the motion to close further debate on the bill, was viated.

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Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Wednesday, June 24, 1998.

Education Savings Act for Public and Private Schools—Conference Report: Senate began consideration of the conference report on H.R. 1882, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, and to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts.

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A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the conference report on Wednesday, June 24, 1998, with a vote on adoption of the conference report to occur thereon.

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Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaties:

Treaty with Niue on Delimitation of a Maritime Boundary (Treaty Doc. 105-53); and

Treaty with Belize for Return of Stolen Vehicles (Treaty Doc. 105-54).

The treaties were transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and was ordered to be printed.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Edward L. Romero, of New Mexico, to be Ambassador to Spain.

Edward L. Romero, of New Mexico, to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to Andorra.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Jane E. Henney, of New Mexico, to be Commissioner of Food and Drugs, Department of Health and Human Services.

Barbara Pedersen Holum, of Maryland, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for the term expiring April 13, 2002.

Kenneth Prewitt, of New York, to be Director of the Census.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—168)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:06 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, June 24, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 13422.)

Committee Meetings**APPROPRIATIONS—COMMERCE/JUSTICE/STATE**

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior and Related Agencies approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Gen. Richard B. Myers, USAF, to be Commander-in-Chief, United States Space Command, Vice Adm. Richard W. Mies, USN, to be Commander-in-Chief, United States Strategic Command, and Lt. Gen. Charles T. Robertson, Jr., USAF, to be Commander-in-Chief, United States Transportation Command and Commander, Air Mobility Command, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

PUERTO RICO

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded oversight hearings to examine certain implications with regard to the future of Puerto Rico's political status should that country choose independence from the United States and become a sovereign nation, including the status of United States citizenship of persons born in and residing in Puerto Rico, and trade and tariff implications, after receiving testimony from Johnny H. Gillian, Senior Specialist, American Constitutional Law, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; Richard L. Thornburgh, Kirkpatrick and Lockhart, former United States Attorney General, and Gregory T. Nojeim, American Civil Liberties Union, both of Washington, D.C.; and Manuel Rodriguez-Orellana, Puerto Rican Independence Party, Emilio Soler Mari, Accion Democratica Puertorriquena, Luis Vega-Ramos, PROELA, and Juan M. Garcia Passalacqua all of San Juan, Puerto Rico.

WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure concluded hearings on S. 2131, to authorize funds for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, after receiving testimony from Joseph W. Westphal, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works; Michael Davis, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works; Maj. Gen. Russell L. Fuhrman, Director of Civil Works for the Army Corps of Engineers; Mayor Kenneth E. Pringle, Borough of Belmar, New Jersey; Councilwoman Louisa M. Strayhorn, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, on behalf of the Kempsville Borough; Grover Fugate, Rhode Island Coastal Resources Management Council, Wakefield; Kurt J. Nagle, American Association of Port Authorities, Alexandria, Virginia; Scott C. Faber, American Rivers, Washington, D.C.; and Stephen H. Higgins, Broward County Department of Natural Resource Protection, Broward County, Florida, on behalf of the American Coastal Coalition.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1344, to target assistance to support the economic and political independence of the countries of South Caucasus and Central Asia, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. Con. Res. 97, expressing the sense of Congress concerning the human rights and humanitarian situation facing the women and girls of Afghanistan, with amendments;

S. Res. 237, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the situation in Indonesia and East Timor;

S. Res. 240, expressing the sense of the Senate with respect to democracy and human rights in the Lao People's Democratic Republic, with amendments;

Montreal Protocol No. 4 to Amend the Convention for the Unification of Certain Rules Relating to International Carriage by Air signed at Warsaw on October 12, 1929, as amended by the Protocol done at The Hague on September 8, 1955 (Ex. B, 95th Cong. 1st sess.), with one declaration and two provisos;

Convention on Combating Bribery of Foreign Public Officials in International Business Transactions, adopted at Paris on November 21, 1997, by a conference held under the auspices of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development. Convention signed in Paris on December 17, 1997, by the United States and 32 other nations (Treaty Doc. 105-43), with one understanding, one declaration, and three provisos; and

The nominations of Shirley Elizabeth Barnes, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Madagascar, William Davis Clarke, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to

the State of Eritrea, Paul L. Cejas, of Florida, to be Ambassador to Belgium, Jeffrey Davidow, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Mexico, Vivian Lowery Derryck, of Ohio, to be Assistant Administrator for Africa, Agency for International Development, Eric S. Edelman, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Finland, Nancy Halliday Ely Raphael, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Slovenia, George Williford Boyce Haley, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of The Gambia, Michael Craig Lemmon, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Armenia, John O'Leary, of Maine, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Chile, Rudolf Vilem Perina, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Moldova, Katherine Hubay Peterson, of California, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Lesotho, Edward L. Romero, of New Mexico, to be Ambassador to Spain, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to Andorra, Cynthia Perrin Schneider, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of the Netherlands, Nancy E. Soderberg, of the District of Columbia, to be Alternate Representative of the United States for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador, and to be an Alternate Representative of the United States to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during her tenure of service as Alternate Representative of the United States for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, Charles Richard Stith, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the United Republic of Tanzania, Kenneth Spencer Yalowitz, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Georgia, and a Foreign Service Officer Promotion list (John M. O'Keefe) received in the Senate on September 3, 1997.

Also, committee began mark up of S. Res. 238, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding human rights conditions in China and Tibet, but did not complete action thereon and recessed subject to call.

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee held hearings on S. 2148, to protect religious liberty by extending the Religious Freedom Restoration Act's rule of protection to the full extent of Congress's statutory authority and by assisting the Courts in enforcing the free exercise clause of the Constitution by enacting enforcement measures under the 14th Amendment by requiring the government to disprove violations of constitutional rights, receiving testimony from Rabbi David Zwiebel, Agudath Israel of America, Marci A. Hamilton, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law/Yeshiva University, and Christopher L. Eisgruber, New York University School of Law, all of New York, New York; Dallin H. Oaks, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, and Michael W. McConnell, University of Utah College of Law, both of Salt Lake City, Utah; Richard D. Land, Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention,

Nashville, Tennessee; Elliot M. Minberg, People for the American Way, Washington, D.C.; and Douglas Laycock, University of Texas at Austin School of Law.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 14 public bills, H.R. 4109–4122; and 4 resolutions, H. Res. 483 and 486–488, were introduced. Page 13525

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 2538, to establish a Presidential commission to determine the validity of certain land claims arising out of the Treaty of Guadalupe-Hidalgo of 1848 involving the descendants of persons who were Mexican citizens at the time of the Treaty, amended (H. Rept. 105–594);

H.R. 4112, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–595);

H. Res. 484, providing for consideration of H.R. 4103, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–596); and

H. Res. 485, providing for consideration of H.R. 4104, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–597).

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Mike Coleman of Hannibal, Missouri.

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Recess: The House recessed at 9:50 a.m. and reconvened at 10:00 a.m. Page 13429

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Drug-Free Workplace Act: H.R. 3853, amended, to promote drug-free workplace programs (passed by a yeas and nays vote of 402 yeas to 9 nays, Roll No. 257); and

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Internet Tax Freedom Act: H.R. 4105, to establish a national policy against State and local interference with interstate commerce on the Internet, to exercise congressional jurisdiction over interstate commerce by establishing a moratorium on the imposition of exactions that would interfere with the free flow of commerce via the Internet, to establish a national policy against federal and state regulation of Internet access and online services.

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Agriculture Appropriations Act: The House began consideration of amendments to H.R. 4101, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. Further consideration will resume on Wednesday, June 24. **Page 13442**

Agreed To:

The Bereuter amendment that prohibits the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development from denying a loan guarantee for multifamily rental units in rural areas if the interest on the loan is exempt from inclusion in gross income for purposes of chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986; **Page 13476**

The Bass amendment that reduces funding for the Wildlife Service livestock protection program by \$10 million (agreed to by a recorded vote of 229 ayes to 193 noes, Roll No. 259). **Page 13484**

Rejected:

The Obey amendment that sought to strike section 736 that extends the time for USDA to implement rule-making on the milk marketing orders system by six months and continue the Northeast Interstate Dairy Compact; **Page 13461**

The Dooley amendment that sought to transfer \$49.3 million from special grants for agricultural research to implement provisions of the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Act of 1998; **Page 13477**

The Neumann amendment that sought to prohibit the use of funding to provide a peanut price support loan rate greater than \$550 per ton for quota peanuts (rejected by a recorded vote of 181 ayes to 244 noes, Roll No. 258); **Pages 13478, 13487**

Point of order was sustained against the Petri amendment that sought to terminate congressional consent for the Northeast Interstate Dairy Compact on April 4, 1999. **Page 13475**

Agreed by unanimous consent that debate on the Miller of Florida amendment related to sugar, if offered, and all amendments thereto would be limited to 60 minutes allocated as follows: Representative Miller of Florida, 30 minutes; Representative Skeen, 15 minutes; and Representative Kaptur or her designee, 15 minutes. **Page 13487**

H. Res. 482, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill, was agreed to earlier by voice vote. **Page 13439**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 13526.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One ye and nay vote, and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 13441, 13487, and 13488. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education approved for full Committee action the Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education appropriations for Fiscal Year 1999.

INTERNATIONAL BANKING AND FINANCE—YEAR 2000 CHALLENGE

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Held a hearing on the Year 2000 Challenge to International Banking and Finance. Testimony was heard from Ernest T. Patrikis, First Vice President, Federal Reserve Bank of New York; and public witnesses.

EMERGENCIES—BUDGETARY TREATMENT

Committee on the Budget: Task Force on Budget Process, hearing on Budgetary Treatment of Emergencies. Testimony was heard from James Lee Witt, Director, FEMA; from the following officials of the CBO: James Blum, Deputy Director; and Theresa Gullo, Chief, State and Local Government Cost Estimates; and Keith Bea, Specialist, American National Government, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress.

STATES' ALTERNATIVE ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE STRATEGIES

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, held a hearing on States' Alternative Environmental Compliance Strategies. Testimony was heard from Michael Gryszkowiec, Director, Planning and Reporting, GAO; the following officials of the EPA: Nikki L. Tinsley, Acting Inspector General; and Eric Schaeffer, Director, Office of Regulatory Enforcement; David B. Struhs, Commissioner, Department of Environmental Quality, State of Massachusetts; and Mike Phillips, Director, Strategic Projects and Planning, Department of Environmental Protection, State of Florida.

ANTI-SLAMMING MEASURES

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on Protecting Consumers Against Slamming, focusing on the following bills: H.R. 3888, Anti-slamming Amendments Act; and H.R. 3050, Slamming Prevention and Consumer Protection Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Representatives Goodlatte; Smith of New Jersey and Bass; Lawrence E. Strickling, Deputy Bureau Chief, Common Carrier Bureau, FCC; and public witnesses.

COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL REFORM PROGRAM

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth, and Families held a hearing on Comprehensive School Reform Program. Testimony was heard from Gerald Tirozzi, Assistant Secretary, Elemen-

tary and Secondary Education, Department of Education; and public witnesses.

CAMPAIGN FUNDRAISING

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Adopted a resolution granting Congressional immunity to Irene Wu, Nancy Lee, Larry Wong, and Kent La regarding the Committee's campaign fundraising investigation.

CHILD CUSTODY PROTECTION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported amended H.R. 3682, Child Custody Protection Act.

Committee recessed subject to call.

EXPORTS OF SATELLITES TO CHINA—U.S. POLICY

Committee on National Security: and the Committee on International Relations concluded joint hearings on U.S. policy regarding the export of satellites to China. Testimony was heard from Walter B. Slocombe, Under Secretary, Policy, Department of Defense; John Holum, Acting Under Secretary, Political Affairs, Department of State; and William Reinsch, Under Secretary, Export Administration, Department of Commerce.

OVERSIGHT—FOREST SERVICE LAW ENFORCEMENT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held an oversight hearing on Forest Service Law Enforcement. Testimony was heard from Barry T. Hill, Associate Director, Energy, Resources, and Science Issues, GAO; Robert Joslin, Deputy Chief, Forest Service, USDA; and a public witness.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands approved for full Committee action the following bills: S. 1693, Vision 2020 National Parks System Restoration Act; and H.R. 4004, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance to the Casa Malpais National Historic Landmark in Springerville, Arizona, and to establish the Lower East Side Tenement National Historic Site.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on H.R. 3705, Ivanpah Valley Airport Public Lands Transfer Act. Testimony was heard from Pete Culp, Assistant Director, Minerals, Realty and Resource Protection, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; and a public witness.

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 4103, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. The rule waives points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with clause 2(l)(6) of rule XI (requiring a three day layover of the committee report), clause 7 of

rule XXI (requiring printed hearings and reports to be available for three days prior to consideration of general appropriations bills), or section 306 of the Budget Act of 1974 (prohibiting consideration of legislation within the jurisdiction of the Budget Committee unless reported by that committee). The rule provides that the amendments printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying the resolution shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole.

The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill which do not comply with clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill) and clause 6 of rule XXI (prohibiting reappropriations in a general appropriations bill). The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows for the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. The rule provides that consideration of section 8106 for amendment under the five minute rule shall not exceed one hour. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instruction. Testimony was heard from Representatives Young of Florida, Gilman, Sessions, Murtha, Skaggs and Maloney of New York.

TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE, GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule on H.R. 4104, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain independent agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, providing one hour of general debate equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with clause 2(l)(6) of rule XI (requiring a 3-day layover of the committee report), or clause 7 of rule XXI (requiring printed hearings and reports to be available for 3 days prior to consideration of general appropriations bills). The rule provides that the amendments printed in part 1 of the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying the resolution shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended, which do not comply with clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized or legislative appropriations in a general appropriations bill) and clause 6 of rule XXI (prohibiting reappropriations in a general appropriations bill), except as specified in the rule. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in part 2 of the Rules Committee report and provides that such amendments may be offered only by a Member des-

igned in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows for the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Kolbe, Morella, Hoyer, Obey, Lowey, DeLauro and Maloney of New York.

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY FINANCING ACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing on H.R. 3684, Employment Security Financing Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Grace Kilbane, Director, Unemployment Insurance Service, Department of Labor; Robert R. Cupp, Senator, President Pro Tempore, and Co-Chairman, Finance Committee, Senate, State of Ohio; Joseph Weisenburger, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Employment Security, State of New Hampshire; Douglas Jamerson, Secretary, Department of Labor and Employment Security, State of Florida; and public witnesses.

INDIVIDUAL TAXPAYERS AND SMALL BUSINESSES—TAX CODE COMPLEXITY IMPACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on the impact of complexity in the tax code for individual taxpayers and small businesses. Testimony was heard from Carl Olandt, Unemployment Compensation Director of Accounts, Labor Department, State of Connecticut; and public witnesses.

TRADE MEASURES

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade approved for full Committee action, H.R. 2316, to amend trade laws and related provisions to clarify the designation of normal trade relations. The Subcommittee adversely forwarded to the full Committee, H.J. Res. 120, disapproving the extension of the waiver authority contained in section 402(c) of the Trade Act of 1974 with respect to Vietnam.

DOD COUNTERINTELLIGENCE

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Human Intelligence, Analysis, and Counterintelligence met in executive session to hold a hearing on DOD Counterintelligence. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

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Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Six bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2209–2214, S. Con. Res. 105, and S. Res. 254. **Page 13878**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.J. Res. 54, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing the Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States.

S.J. Res. 40, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States.

Special Report entitled "Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals, Fiscal Year 1999." (S. Rept. No. 105–221) **Page 13878**

Measures Passed:

Occupational Safety and Health Administration Compliance Assistance Authorization: Senate passed H.R. 2864, to require the Secretary of Labor to establish a program under which employers may consult with State officials respecting compliance with occupational safety and health requirements, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 13901**

Occupational Safety and Health Reform: Senate passed H.R. 2877, to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 13901**

National Character Counts Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 176, proclaiming the week of October 18 through October 24, 1998, as "National Character Counts Week". **Page 13903**

National Bone Marrow Registry Reauthorization: Committee on Labor and Human Resources was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 2202, to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend the bone marrow donor program, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 13904**

National Drought Policy Act: Senate passed H.R. 3035, to establish an advisory commission to provide advice and recommendations on the creation of an integrated, coordinated Federal policy designed to prepare for and respond to serious drought emergencies, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 13904**

Department of Defense Authorizations: Senate resumed consideration of S. 2057, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the De-

partment of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, and to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

By 90 yeas to 5 nays (Vote No. 170), Thurmond Amendment No. 2975, to express the sense of Congress regarding continued participation of United States forces in operations in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

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McCain Amendment No. 2977 (to Amendment No. 2975), to require the President to submit to Congress certain reports on the missions of United States forces in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

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Kempthorne Amendment No. 2892, to provide a substitute for title XXIX, to provide for the withdrawal of lands at the Juniper Butte Range, Idaho, from all forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the mining laws and the mineral and geothermal leasing laws, and to reserve these lands for use by the Secretary of the Air Force.

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Brownback Amendment No. 2978, to require separate housing for male and female basic trainees, and to ensure after-hours privacy for basic trainees.

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By 56 yeas to 37 nays (Vote No. 172), Levin (for Snowe/Cleland) Amendment No. 2979 (to Amendment No. 2978), to require a moratorium on changes to gender-related policies and practices.

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Warner (for Thurmond) Amendment No. 2985, to require a report on leasing and other alternative uses of non-excess military property by the military departments.

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Levin (for Harkin) Amendment No. 2986, to require a plan for addressing problems in Department of Defense management of the department's inventories of in-transit secondary items.

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Warner (for Thurmond) Modified Amendment No. 2447, to limit advance billings for working-capital funds of the Department of Defense.

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Levin (for Rockefeller) Amendment No. 2987, to provide for an assessment of the establishment of an independent entity to evaluate post-conflict illnesses among members of the Armed Forces and the health care provided by the Department of Defense and Department of Veterans Affairs both before and after the deployment of such members.

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Warner (for Kyl) Amendment No. 2838, to establish a commission to assess the reliability, safety, and security of the United States nuclear deterrent.

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Levin (for Wyden and Smith of Oregon) No. 2796, to state the sense of the Senate regarding the memoranda of understanding with the State of Oregon relating to Hanford.

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Warner (for Frist) Amendment No. 2812, to express the sense of Congress concerning the naming of an LPD-17 class amphibious vessel in honor of Lieutenant General

Clifton B. Cates, the 19th Commandant of the Marine Corps.

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Warner (for Thurmond) Amendment No. 2988, to provide authority to waive the moratorium on the use of anti-personnel landmines scheduled to begin on February 12, 1999.

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Levin (for Leahy) Amendment No. 2989, to make available funds for activities relating to the identification, adaptation, modification, research, and development of existing and new tactics, technologies, and operational concepts with regard to landmines.

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Levin Amendment No. 2990, to re-establish the initiative relating to fair trade in automotive parts.

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Warner (for Lott) Amendment No. 2991, to provide for accountability of the Director and Deputy Director of the Naval Home.

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Warner (for Ford/McConnell) Amendment No. 2992, to ensure continuity in the management of the program for assessing alternative technologies for the destruction of assembled chemical munitions, and to provide for the use of such technologies.

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Warner (for McCain/Lieberman) Amendment No. 2993, to authorize the President to advance Benjamin O. Davis, Jr., to the grade of general on the retired list of the Air Force.

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Levin (for Torricelli/Lautenberg) Amendment No. 2994, to require a report regarding the savings and effect of personnel reductions in the Army Materiel Command.

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Warner (for Grams/Wellstone) Amendment No. 2995, to authorize a land conveyance, Naval Air Reserve Center, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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Levin (for Durbin) Amendment No. 2996, to authorize a land conveyance, Army Reserve Center, Peoria, Illinois.

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Warner (for D'Amato) Amendment No. 2997, to authorize a land conveyance, Skaneateles, New York.

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Levin (for Wyden) Modified Amendment No. 2874, to require a review of the methods used by the Department of Energy to calculate overhead costs of cleanup of Department sites.

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Warner (for Coats) Amendment No. 2998, to revise authorities relating to a Department of Defense officer designated as a member of the Panama Canal Commission supervisory board by the Secretary of Defense.

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Levin (for Feingold) Amendment No. 2809, to require an annual GAO review of the F/A-18E/F aircraft program.

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Warner (for DeWine/Glenn) Amendment No. 2826, to authorize the conveyance of the vessel ex-U.S.S. *Lorain County* (LST-1177) to the Ohio War Memorial, Inc., Sandusky, Ohio.

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Levin (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 2999, to guarantee the long-term national security of the United States

by investing in a robust Defense Science and Technology Program. **Page 13870**

Warner (for Thurmond) Modified Amendment No. 2448, to add disposal receipts objectives for three additional fiscal years; to clarify the authority relating to the disposal of chromium ferroalloy; to add a condition to the authority to dispose of certain strategic and critical materials in the National Defense Stockpile; and to authorize use of funds in the National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund for certain environmental activities. **Page 13871**

Levin (for Feinstein/Boxer) Amendment No. 3000, to express the sense of Congress regarding the homeporting of the U.S.S. *Iowa* battleship at the Port of San Francisco. **Page 13871**

Warner (for Grassley) Modified Amendment No. 2822, to improve the process for designating defense property for demilitarization and to further penalize acts involved in unlawful export of certain merchandise. **Page 13871**

Levin (for Byrd) Amendment No. 2860, to prohibit evaluation of the merit of selling malt beverages and wine in commissary stores as exchange store merchandise. **Page 13873**

Warner/Moynihan Amendment No. 3001, to provide a substitute that clarifies that additional museums may be designated as "America's National Maritime Museum". **Page 13873**

Rejected:

Smith of New Hampshire Modified Amendment No. 2912, to limit the use of funds to support the continued deployment of ground combat forces of the Armed Forces of the United States in Bosnia and Herzegovina pending a vote of Congress on the continuation of the deployment, and to require the President to submit to Congress a plan for withdrawing United States forces from Bosnia and Herzegovina if Congress does not so act by March 31, 1999. (By 65 yeas to 31 nays (Vote No. 171), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Page 13819**

Pending:

Inhofe Amendment No. 2981, to modify the restrictions on the general authority of the Department of Defense regarding the closure and realignment of military installations, and to express the sense of the Congress on further rounds of such closures and realignments. **Page 13846**

Harkin/Wellstone Amendment No. 2982, to authorize a transfer of funds from the Department of Defense to the Department of Veterans Affairs for health care. **Page 13851**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the pending amendments and an amendment to be proposed to the bill, with votes to occur thereon, on Thursday, June 25, 1998. **Page 13904**

Education Savings Act for Public and Private Schools—Conference Report: By 59 yeas to 36 nays

(Vote No. 169), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 2646, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, and to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 13780**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

Louis Caldera, of California, to be Secretary of the Army. **Pages 13903, 13905**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Barry P. Goode, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

Robert Bruce King, of West Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit.

Thomasina V. Rogers, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission for the remainder of the term expiring April 27, 2001. **Page 13905**

Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nomination:

Daniel Guttman, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission for a term expiring April 27, 2001, vice Edwin G. Foulke, Jr., term expired, which was sent to the Senate on January 9, 1997. **Page 13905**

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—172) **Pages 13797, 13819, 13826, 13845**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 10:27 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, June 25, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 13905.)

Committee Meetings

FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPETITIVENESS ACT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee resumed hearings on H.R. 10, to enhance com-

petition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, and other financial service providers, receiving testimony from Mary Griffin, on behalf of Consumers Union and the Consumer Federation of America, Edmund Mierzewski, U.S. Public Interest Research Group, Allen J. Fishbein, Center for Community Change, John E. Taylor, National Community Reinvestment Coalition, and Ralph Nader, all of Washington, D.C.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 1695, to establish the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site in the State of Colorado, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1418, to promote the research, identification, assessment, exploration, and development of methane hydrate resources, with amendments;

H.R. 2217, to extend the deadline for the commencement of construction of a FERC hydroelectric project located in San Miguel, Colorado to January 30, 2002;

H.R. 2165, to extend the deadline for the commencement of construction of a FERC hydroelectric project located in Scott County, Iowa for up to three consecutive 2-year periods;

H.R. 2841, to extend the deadline for the commencement of construction of a FERC hydroelectric project located in Bracken County, Kentucky for up to three consecutive 2-year periods;

H.R. 449, to provide for the orderly disposal of certain Federal lands in Clark County, Nevada, and to provide for the acquisition of environmentally sensitive lands in the State of Nevada; and

S. 890, to dispose of certain Federal properties located in Dutch John, Utah, and to assist the local government in the interim delivery of basic services to the Dutch John community, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

ASIAN FINANCIAL CONDITION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on International Economic Policy, Export, and Trade Promotion held hearings to examine the state of certain Asian economies and currencies, receiving testimony from Lawrence H. Summers, Deputy Secretary of the Treasury.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

KOSOVO

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on European Affairs held hearings to examine the current state of human rights violations and United States policy in the Yugoslavian province of Kosovo, receiving testimony from Senator D'Amato; former Senator Dole, on behalf of the International Commission on Missing Persons in the Former Yugoslavia; and Morton I. Abramowitz, Inter-

national Crisis Group, Washington, D.C., former Assistant Secretary of State for Intelligence and Research.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

GOVERNMENT COMPUTER SECURITY

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine the state of computer security within Federal, State and local agencies, focusing on certain risks related to computer-communication technology and efforts to reduce them, after receiving testimony from George J. Tenet, Director of Central Intelligence; and Lt. Gen. Kenneth A. Minihan, Director, National Security Agency, Department of Defense.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following measures:

S.J. Res. 40, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States; and

H.J. Res. 54, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing the Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States.

AGRICULTURE GUESTWORKER PROGRAM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration concluded hearings to examine the implementation and the ability of the H-2A agricultural guestworker program (which provides a way for U.S. agricultural employers to bring nonimmigrant foreign workers into the United States to perform seasonal agricultural work on a temporary basis when domestic workers are unavailable) to meet the needs of the agricultural industry, after receiving testimony from Senators Graham, Gorton, Craig, Coverdell, Wyden, and Gordon Smith; Representatives Berman and Robert Smith; Carlotta C. Joyner, Director, Education and Employment Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; Howard Kelly, Michigan Farm Bureau, Lansing; Juanita Santana, Oregon Child Development Coalition, Wilsonville; Leo C. Polopolus, University of Florida, Gainesville; Walter Kates, Florida Fruit and Vegetable Association, Orlando, on behalf of the National Council of Agricultural Employers; and Robert A. Williams, Florida Legal Services, Inc., Tallahassee.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 2206, to make improvements to and authorize funds for programs of the Head Start Act, the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981, and the Community Services Block Grant Act, and to establish demonstration projects that provide an opportunity for persons with limited means to accumulate assets, with amendments.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 1925, to make certain technical corrections in laws relating to Native Americans, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 1998, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to establish the Four Corners Interpretive Center within the boundaries of the Four Corners Monument Tribal Park using land designated and made available by the Navajo Nation or the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe.

INDIAN WATER RIGHTS

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded joint hearings with the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources' Subcommittee on Water and Power on the following bills:

S. 1899, to approve and ratify the Water Rights Compact entered into on April 14, 1997, by the Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy's Reservation and the State of Montana, after receiving testimony from Robert T. Anderson, Counselor to the Secretary of the Interior; Roger St. Pierre, Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy's Reservation, Box Elder, Montana; and Chris D. Tweeten, Montana Reserved Water Rights Compact Commission, Helena; and

S. 1771, to provide for a final settlement of the claims of the Colorado Ute Indian Tribes, after receiving testimony from Senator Allard; Eluid Martinez, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; Colorado Attorney General Gale Norton, Denver; New Mexico State Engineer Thomas C. Turney, Santa Fe; Clement Frost, Southern Ute Tribal Council, Ignacio, Colorado; Judy Knight-Frank, Ute Mountain Ute Tribal Council, Towaoc, Colorado; James C. Decker, Taxpayers for the Animas River, and Sage Remington, Southern Ute Grassroots Organization, both of Durango, Colorado; Mark Duncan, San Juan Water Commission, Farmington, New Mexico; and Lori Potter, Kelly, Haglund, Garnsey & Kahn, Denver, Colorado, on behalf of the Sierra Club.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee will meet again tomorrow.

15 Public bills, H.R. 4123–4137; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 295–296 and H. Res. 492–494, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 3830, to provide for the exchange of certain lands within the State of Utah (H. Rept. 105–598);

Conference report on H.R. 2676, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service (H. Rept. 105–599);

Report on the Revised Suballocation of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 1999 (H. Rept. 105–600);

H. Res. 489, providing for consideration of H.R. 4112, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–601);

H. Res. 490, waiving points of order against the conference report on H.R. 2676, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service (H. Rept. 105–602); and

H. Res. 491, providing for consideration of a concurrent resolution for the adjournment of the House and Senate for the Independence Day district work period (H. Rept. 105–603).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Blunt to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. David Clift of Duck, North Carolina.

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Presidential Veto Message—Iran Missile Proliferation Act: Read a message from the President, received by the Clerk on Tuesday, June 23, wherein he announces his veto of H.R. 2709, to impose certain sanctions on foreign persons who transfer items contributing to Iran's efforts to acquire, develop, or produce ballistic missiles, and explains his reasons therefore. The message was ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–276) and agreed to refer the bill and the veto message to the Committee on International Relations.

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Land Exchange Within Utah: The House passed H.R. 3830, to provide for the exchange of certain lands within the State of Utah.

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Fort Berthold Indian Reservation Mineral Leasing: The House passed S. 2069, to permit the mineral leasing of Indian land located within the Fort Berthold Indian reservation in any case in which there is consent from a majority interest in the parcel of land under consideration for lease—clearing the measure for the President.

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Agriculture Appropriations Act: The House passed H.R. 4101, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, by a yeas and nays vote of 373 yeas to

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Bills Introduced:

48 nays, Roll No. 264. The House completed debate and considered amendments to the bill on June 23.

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On a demand for a separate vote, the House rejected the Bass amendment that limits total funding for Wildlife Service Program operations and reduces the livestock protection program by \$10 million by a recorded vote of 192 ayes to 232 noes, Roll No. 263. The Bass amendment was agreed to on June 23 in the Committee of the Whole and then modified on June 24.

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Agreed To:

The Coburn amendment that prohibits funds to be used by the FDA for any drug for the chemical induction of abortion (agreed to by a recorded vote of 223 ayes to 202 noes, Roll No. 260); and

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The Sanders amendment that increases funding for nutrition programs for senior citizens by \$10 million.

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Rejected:

The Miller of Florida amendment that sought to prohibit the use of funding to provide a loan to a processor of sugarcane or sugar beets at a loan rate in excess of 17 cents per pound for raw cane sugar and 21.9 cents per pound for refined beet sugar (rejected by a recorded vote of 167 ayes to 258 noes with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 261); and

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The Royce amendment that sought to prohibit funding for the market access program (rejected by a recorded vote of 118 ayes to 307 noes, Roll No. 262).

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Agreed by unanimous consent to modify the Bass amendment, agreed to on June 23, by specifying that the \$18.8 million limitation of funding refers to Wildlife Services Program operations.

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H. Res. 482, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill, was agreed to on June 23.

Defense Appropriations Act: The House passed H.R. 4103, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, by a yeas and nays vote of 358 yeas to 61 nays, Roll No. 266.

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Agreed To:

The Bentsen amendment that prohibits any funding for the transportation into the United States of polychlorinated biphenyls manufactured outside the United States and owned by the Department of Defense except as provided for in the Toxic Substances Control Act; and

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The Sanders amendment that prohibits any funding to be used to enter into or renew a contract with any company owned, or partially owned, by the People's Republic of China or the People's Liberation Army of the People's Republic of China.

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H. Res. 484, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 221 yeas to 201 nays, Roll No. 265.

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Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Mr. William Robert Byars, Jr. of South Carolina, to a one-year term, and Ms. Adele L. Grubbs of Georgia, to a three year term on the Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

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National Skill Standards Board: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Mr. James D. Burge of Washington, D.C. and Mr. Kenneth R. Edwards of Rockville, Maryland to four year terms on the National Skill Standards Board.

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Committee Resignations: Read a letter from Representative Tauscher wherein she resigned from the Committee on Science; and read a letter from Representative Goode wherein he resigned from the Committee on Small Business.

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Committee Election: Agreed to H. Res. 492, electing Representative Goode to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services; Representatives Tauscher and Brady of Pennsylvania to the Committee on National Security; and Representative Brady of Pennsylvania to the Committee on Small Business.

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Extension of Remarks: Agreed that all members be permitted to extend their remarks and to include extraneous material in that section of the RECORD entitled "Extensions of Remarks" on Thursday, June 25, 1998.

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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 13539.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 13778.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yeas and nays votes and four recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 13672, 13673, 13688, 13689, 13698, and 13730. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 10:41 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL CREDIT MEASURES

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Forestry, Resource Conservation, and Research approved for full Committee action proposed legislation concerning agricultural credit.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary approved for full Committee action the Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary appropriations for fiscal year 1999.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the District of Columbia held a hearing on Public Education, on Corrections and Public Safety Fiscal Year 1999 Budget requests. Testimony was heard from Gloria Jarmon, Director, GAO; Robert E. Langston, Chief, National Park Service Police, Department of the Interior; Stephen D. Harlan, member, D.C. Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority; Maudine Cooper, Chair, Emergency Transitional Education Board of Trustees; and the following officials of the District of Columbia: Wilma Harvey, President, Board of Education; Arlene Acherman, Superintendent, Public Schools; Josephine Baker, Chair, Public Charter School Board; Margaret A. Moore, Director, Department of Corrections; John L. Clark, Corrections Trustee; John A. Carver, Trustee, Court Services and Offender Supervision; Charles H. Ramsey, Chief, Metropolitan Police Department; Donald Edwards, Chief, Fire Department; and Annice M. Wagner, Chief Judge, Court of Appeals.

The Subcommittee also obtained information on the general D.C. Fiscal year 1999 budget request. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; PORTALS INVESTIGATION—CONTEMPT CITATION

Committee on Commerce: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 872, Biomaterials Access Assurance Act of 1998; H.R. 2921, Multichannel Video Competition and Consumer Protection Act of 1997; H.R. 8, Border Smog Reduction Act of 1998; and H.R. 1689, Securities Litigation Uniform Standards Act of 1998.

The Committee also approved, by a roll call vote of 26 yeas to 18 nays, a Report finding Franklin L. Haney in Contempt of Congress and directing the Speaker to certify the Report with respect to Mr. Haney to the U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 3248, Dollars in the Classroom Act; and H.R. 3007, Commission on the Advancement of Women in Science, Engineering, and Technology Development Act.

AMERICAN WORKER PROJECT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations continued hearings on American Worker Project: Meeting the Needs of the 21st Century Workplace. Testimony was heard from Stephen Goldsmith, Mayor, Indianapolis, State of Indiana; and public witnesses.

CIVIL SERVICE REFORM ISSUES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Civil Service held a hearing on Civil Service Reform Issues. Testimony was heard from Janice LaChance, Director, OPM; Mike Brostek, Associate Director, Federal Workforce and Management Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

KYOTO PROTOCOL

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs continued hearings on "The Kyoto Protocol: Is the Clinton-Gore Administration Selling Our Americans? Part IV." Testimony was heard from Senator Enzi; Ernest Moniz, Under Secretary, Department of Energy; Eliza Perry, City Councilwoman, Homestead, State of Florida; and public witnesses.

COLOMBIAN HEROIN CRISIS

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on Colombian Heroin Crisis. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Tom Kneir, Deputy Assistant Director, Criminal Investigation Division, FBI; and Donnie Marshall, Acting Deputy Administrator, DEA; and Bonnie G. Tischler, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Investigation, U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Africa approved for full Committee action the following measures: H. Res. 415, to promote independent radio broadcasting in Africa; and H. Con. Res. 292, amended, calling for an end to the recent conflict between Eritrea and Ethiopia.

CHINA AND ECONOMIC ENGAGEMENT: SUCCESS OR FAILURE?

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade held a hearing on China and Economic Engagement: Success or Failure? Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—TELECOMMUNICATIONS INDUSTRY EFFECTS OF CONSOLIDATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Held an oversight hearing on the Effects of Consolidation on the State of Competition in the Telecommunications Industry. Testimony was heard from Joel Klein, Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice; Susan Ness, Commissioner, FCC; and public witnesses.

CLASS ACTION JURISDICTION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property approved for full Committee action H.R. 3789, Class Action Jurisdiction Act of 1998, amended.

INTERNET GAMBLING PROHIBITION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime held a hearing on H.R. 2380, Internet Gambling Prohibition

Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Kevin Di Gregory, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

ENCOURAGE COMPETITION AND TAX FAIRNESS AND PROTECT TAX BASE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

Committee on Resources: Held a hearing on H.R. 1168, to encourage competition and tax fairness and to protect the tax base of State and local governments. Testimony was heard from Representatives Istook, Visclosky and LaHood; Kevin Gover, Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a structured rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 4112, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. The rule waives clause 2(I)(6) of rule XI (requiring a 3 day layover of the committee report), clause 3 of rule XXI (requiring that the report include a list of unauthorized accounts), clause 7 of rule XXI (requiring relevant printed hearings and reports be available for three days prior to the consideration of a general appropriations bill), and section 401 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (prohibiting consideration of budget-related legislation, as reported, that is not subject to appropriations) against consideration of the bill.

The rule waives clause 2 (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations or legislative provisions in a general appropriations bill), and clause 6 (prohibiting reappropriations in a general appropriations bill), of rule XXI against provisions in the bill, except against section 108 (mandating participation in government transit programs).

The rule provides that no amendments will be in order except those printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying this resolution. The rule provides that each amendment may be considered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a member designated in the report, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided between the proponent and an opponent, and shall not be subject to amendment. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. The rule provides that the chairman of the Committee of the Whole may postpone recorded votes on any amendment and that the chairman may reduce voting time on postponed questions to 5 minutes, provided that the voting time on the first in a series of questions is not less than 15 minutes. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instruction. Testimony was heard from Representatives Walsh, Serrano, Hoyer, Farr, Gutierrez and Blumenauer.

CONFERENCE REPORT—IRS RESTRUCTURING AND REFORM ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 2676, Internal Revenue Service Restructuring and Reform Act of 1998, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard from Chairman Archer.

ADJOURNMENT RESOLUTION

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule providing for the consideration of a concurrent resolution providing for the adjournment of the House and Senate for the Independence Day district work period. The rule waives all points of order against the consideration of the resolution.

OVERSIGHT—INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION

Committee on Science: Held an oversight hearing on Houston, We Have a Problem: The Administration's Plan to Fix the International Space Station. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the NASA: Daniel Goldin, Administrator; and Jay Chabrow, Chairman, Cost Assessment and Validation Task Force, Advisory Council; and Allen Li, Associate Director, GAO.

HUBZONE PROGRAM

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Government Programs and Oversight held a hearing on the HubZone Program. Testimony was heard from Jesse L. White, Jr., Federal Co-Chairman, Appalachian Regional Commission; Ralph C. Thomas, III, Associate Administrator, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, NASA; the following officials of the Department of Defense: Loyd C. Alderman, Director, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, Defense Logistics Agency; and Tracey L. Pinson, Director, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, Office of the Secretary of the Army; Richard L. Hayes, Associate Deputy Administrator, Government Contracting and Minority Enterprise Development, SBA; and Robin Douglas, Regional Manager, Western Maryland, Department of Business and Economic Development, State of Maryland.

VETERANS LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 3980, amended, Persian Gulf Veterans Health Care and Research Act of 1998; and H.R. 4110, Veterans Benefits Improvement Act of 1998.

ERA OF SURPLUSES—MANAGING THE PUBLIC DEBT

Committee on Ways and Means: Held a hearing on Managing the Public Debt in an Era of Surpluses. Testimony was heard from Paul L. Posner, Director, Budget Issues,

Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO; Gary Gensler, Assistant Secretary, Financial Markets, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

IRS REFORM

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 2676, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service.

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Measures Introduced: Twenty-two bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2215–2236, S.J. Res. 54, and S. Con. Res. 106. **Page 14160**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 627, to reauthorize the African Elephant Conservation Act. (S. Rept. No. 105–222)

S. 2090, to extend the authority of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to collect fees through 2003. (S. Rept. No. 105–223)

S. 2095, to reauthorize and amend the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 105–224)

S. 1482, to amend section 223 of the Communications Act of 1934 to establish a prohibition on commercial distribution on the World Wide Web of material that is harmful to minors. (S. Rept. No. 105–225)

S. 1619, to direct the Federal Communications Commission to study systems for filtering or blocking matter on the Internet, to require the installation of such a system on computers in schools and libraries with Internet access, and for other purposes. (S. Rept. No. 105–226)

H.R. 39, to reauthorize the African Elephant Conservation Act.

S. Res. 240, expressing the sense of the Senate with respect to democracy and human rights in the Lao People's Democratic Republic, with amendments.

S. 1976, to increase public awareness of the plight of victims of crime with developmental disabilities, to collect data to measure the magnitude of the problem, and to develop strategies to address the safety and justice needs of victims of crime with developmental disabilities, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. Con. Res. 97, expressing the sense of Congress concerning the human rights and humanitarian situation facing the women and girls of Afghanistan, with amendments. **Page 14158**

Measures Passed:

Congressional Adjournment: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 297, providing for an adjournment of both Houses. **Page 14082**

Strom Thurmond National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999: By 88 yeas to 4 nays (Vote No. 181), Senate passed S. 2057, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, and to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, after taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 14026, 14044, 14066**

Adopted:

By 48 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 174), Inhofe Amendment No. 2981, to modify the restrictions on the general authority of the Department of Defense regarding the closure and realignment of military installations, and to express the sense of the Congress on further rounds of such closures and realignments. **Pages 14026, 14029**

Dodd Amendment No. 3004, to require actions to eliminate the backlog of unpaid retired pay for members and former members of the Army. **Page 14044**

Murray/Murkowski/Sarbanes Amendment No. 3005, relating to burial honors for deceased veterans. **Page 14045**

Gramm Amendment No. 3010, to permit recipients of Naval Reserve Officers' Training Corps scholarships to attend the participating college or university of their choice. **Pages 14080, 14144**

Faircloth Modified Amendment No. 3014, to authorize funds for the construction of the National Guard Military Educational Facility at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. **Pages 14097, 14139**

Thurmond/Levin Amendment No. 3015, to increase the percent by which the rates of basic pay are to be increased. **Page 14098**

Burns Amendment No. 2728, to improve the quality of life for members of the Armed Forces by authorizing additional military construction and military family housing projects. **Pages 14103, 14137, 14145**

Warner/Levin/Lott/Daschle Amendment No. 3016, to name the bill in honor of Senator Strom Thurmond. **Pages 14107, 14144**

Thurmond (for Coats) Amendment No. 2823, to require the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to carry out a program of assistance for State and local governments to ensure the preparedness of those governments to respond to potential emergencies resulting from the destruction of lethal chemical agents and munitions. **Page 14109**

Levin (for Biden) Modified Amendment No. 2867, to make available \$30,000,000 for the Initiatives for Proliferation Prevention program and \$30,000,000 for the so-called "nuclear cities" initiative. **Page 14109**

Thurmond (for Stevens) Modified Amendment No. 2909, to require the Secretary of Defense to provide new incentives for retention of personnel for critical military specialties. **Page 14109**

Levin (for Mikulski) Modified Amendment No. 2791, to require the Secretary of the Navy to carry out a vessel scrapping pilot program. **Page 14109**

Thurmond (for Thomas/Enzi) Amendment No. 3017, to authorize \$13,584,000 for the construction of a Combined Support Maintenance Shop for the Army National Guard at Camp Guernsey, Wyoming. **Page 14109**

Levin (for Harkin) Amendment No. 3018, to increase by \$10,000,000 the total amount authorized to be appropriated for research and development relating to Persian Gulf illnesses, and to offset the increase by reducing the amount under title II for the Army Commercial Operations and Support Savings Program by \$10,000,000. **Page 14109**

Thurmond (for DeWine) Amendment No. 3019, to reauthorize a land conveyance of the Army Reserve Center, Youngstown, Ohio. **Page 14109**

Levin (for Dodd) Amendment No. 3020, to make available certain funds from the defense health programs for research and surveillance activities relating to Lyme disease and other tick-borne diseases. **Page 14109**

Thurmond (for Brownback) Amendment No. 2904, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the August 1995 assassination attempt against President Shevardnadze of Georgia. **Page 14109**

Levin (for Rockefeller) Amendment No. 3021, to make funds available for the DOD/VA Cooperative Research Program. **Page 14109**

Warner (for Domenici/Bingaman) Amendment No. 3022, relating to activities of the contractor-operated facilities of the Department of Energy. **Page 14109**

Levin (for Wyden/Smith of Oregon) Amendment No. 3023, relating to Department of Defense aviation accident investigations. **Page 14109**

Thurmond (for Smith of Oregon) Amendment No. 2783, to provide for the issuance of burial flags to deceased members and former members of the Selected Reserve. **Page 14109**

Levin (for Durbin) Modified Amendment No. 2923, to require the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs to revise the TRICARE policy manual to clarify that rehabilitative services are available to a patient for a head injury under certain circumstances. **Page 14109**

Warner (for Thurmond) Amendment No. 3024, to enable the Secretary of Energy to set a maximum age at which new couriers may enter the Department of Energy's nuclear materials courier force and to provide early

retirement programs for the Department's nuclear materials couriers. **Page 14109**

Warner (for Jeffords/Leahy) Amendment No. 3025, to require a review and report regarding the distribution of National Guard resources among States. **Page 14109**

Levin (for Wellstone) Amendment No. 3026, to provide health benefits for abused dependents of members of the armed forces. **Page 14109**

Levin (for Wyden/Grassley) Amendment No. 3027, to eliminate secret Senate holds. **Page 14109**

Warner (for Domenici/Bingaman) Amendment No. 3028, to provide funds for research, development, test, and evaluation for the Low Cost Launch Development Program. **Page 14109**

Levin (for Durbin) Amendment No. 3029, to require efforts to continue to increase defense burdensharing by allies. **Page 14109**

Warner (for Sessions) Amendment No. 2907, to require the Secretary of Energy to select the technology to be used for tritium production by December 31, 1998. **Page 14109**

Warner (for Graham/Bennett) Amendment No. 3030, to add findings and additional items for the report on the continuity of essential operations at risk of failure because of computer systems that are not year 2000 compliant. **Page 14109**

Warner/Santorum Amendment No. 3031, to modify the requirements relating to reports on the transferability of functions of the Defense Automated Printing Service. **Page 14109**

Levin (for Sarbanes) Modified Amendment No. 2792, to provide funds for emergency repairs and stabilization measures at the historic district of the Forest Glen Annex of Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Maryland. **Page 14109**

Warner (for Santorum) Amendment No. 3032, to increase funds for procurement of M888, 60-millimeter, high-explosive munitions for the Marine Corps. **Page 14109**

Warner (for Santorum) Amendment No. 3033, relating to the pharmacy benefit available under the health care demonstration projects with respect to medicare-eligible beneficiaries of the military health care system. **Page 14139**

Levin (for Dorgan/Conrad) Amendment No. 3034, to modify the land conveyance authority with respect to Finley Air Force Station, Finley, North Dakota. **Page 14139**

Warner (for Hutchinson) Modified Amendment No. 2976, to express the sense of the Congress that significant funds be directed towards broadcasting to China and Tibet in appropriate languages and dialects. **Page 14109**

Levin (for Biden/Levin) Amendment No. 3035, to require a report on the peaceful employment of former Soviet experts on weapons of mass destruction. **Page 14109**

Warner (for Kyl/Murkowski) Amendment No. 3036, to require a study on effective deployment of theater missile defense systems in the Asia-Pacific region.

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Warner (for Bingaman/Domenici) Amendment No. 3037, to require the submission of a plan and design relating to the relocation of the National Atomic Museum in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

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Warner (for Murkowski) Amendment No. 3038, to require a report on the cooperation between the Department of the Army and the Environmental Protection Agency in meeting Chemical Weapons Convention requirements to destroy the U.S. chemical stockpile.

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Levin (for Byrd) Amendment No. 3039, to amend title 10, United States Code, with respect to the administration of certain drugs to members of the Armed Forces without the informed consent of the members.

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Warner (for Hutchison) Amendment No. 3040, to authorize the conveyance of utility systems at Lone Star Army Ammunition Plant, Texas.

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Warner (for Murkowski) Amendment No. 3041, to require a report recommending alternative means for a small disadvantaged business refiner to fulfill its contractual obligations.

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Rejected:

By 18 yeas to 74 nays (Vote No. 173), Wellstone/Boxer Amendment No. 2902, to provide funds for the Child Development Program of the Department of Defense.

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By 38 yeas to 55 nays (Vote No. 175), Harkin/Wellstone Amendment No. 2982, to authorize a transfer of funds from the Department of Defense to the Department of Veterans Affairs for health care.

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By 44 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 176), Murray/Snowe Amendment No. 2794, to repeal the restriction on the use of Department of Defense facilities for abortions.

Pages 14048, 14064

Reid Amendment No. 3009, relating to the withdrawal of lands at the Juniper Butte Range, Idaho, for use by the Secretary of the Air Force. (By 49 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. 177), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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By 20 yeas to 72 nays (Vote No. 178) Feingold Amendment No. 2808, to terminate the Extremely Low Frequency Communication System program of the Navy.

Pages 14083, 14138

By 19 yeas to 73 nays (Vote No. 179) Bumpers/Feingold Amendment No. 3012, to limit the obligation of advance procurement funds for the F-22 aircraft program.

Pages 14092, 14138

By 39 yeas to 53 nays (Vote No. 180) Byrd Amendment No. 3011 (to Amendment No. 3010), to require separate training platoons and separate housing for male

and female basic trainees, and to ensure after-hours privacy for basic trainees. Pages 14082, 14087, 14090, 14140

Energy National Security: Senate passed S. 2058, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for defense activities of the Department of Energy, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof Division C of S. 2057, National Defense Authorizations, as amended.

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Military Construction Authorizations: Senate passed S. 2059, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military construction, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof Division B of S. 2057, National Defense Authorizations, as amended.

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National Defense Authorizations: Senate passed S. 2060, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, and to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof Division A of S. 2057, National Defense Authorizations, as amended.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached with respect to further consideration of S. 2057, S. 2058, S. 2059, and S. 2060 (all listed above as passed by the Senate), that if the Senate receives a message from the House of Representatives with respect to any of those bills, that the Senate be deemed to have disagreed to the amendment or amendments to the Senate-passed bill, that the Senate agree to or request a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate.

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National Defense Authorizations: Senate passed H.R. 3616, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, and to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 2057, as amended.

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Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees: Senators Thurmond, Warner, McCain, Coats, Smith (New Hampshire), Kempthorne, Inhofe, Santorum, Snowe, Roberts, Levin, Kennedy, Bingaman, Glenn, Byrd, Robb, Lieberman, and Cleland.

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Military Construction Appropriation, 1999: Senate passed H.R. 4059, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of

S. 2160, Senate companion measure, and after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Burns Amendment No. 3045, to adjust appropriations for Navy military construction, Air Force family housing construction, and Defense-Wide military construction to accommodate the authorizations of appropriations for such construction for fiscal year 1999.

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Burns (for Thomas/Enzi) Amendment No. 3046, to increase the appropriation for military construction for the Army National Guard and to decrease the appropriation for military construction for the Army Reserve.

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Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair was authorized to appoint the following conferees: Senators Burns, Hutchison, Faircloth, Craig, Stevens, Murray, Reid, Inouye, and Byrd.

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Commending the Library of Congress: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 106, to commend the Library of Congress for 200 years of outstanding service to Congress and the Nation, and to encourage activities to commemorate the bicentennial anniversary of the Library of Congress.

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Alaska Land Exchange: Senate passed S. 1158, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, regarding the Huna Totem Corporation public interest land exchange, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Burns (for Murkowski) Amendment No. 3042, of a technical nature.

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Alaska Land Exchange: Senate passed S. 1159, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, regarding the Kake Tribal Corporation public interest land exchange, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Burns (for Murkowski) Amendment No. 3043, relating to the Kake Tribal Corporation land exchange.

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Alaska Hydroelectric Project: Senate passed S. 439, to provide for Alaska State jurisdiction over small hydroelectric projects, to address voluntary licensing of hydroelectric projects on fresh waters in the State of Hawaii, to provide an exemption for portion of a hydroelectric project located in the State of New Mexico, after agreeing to committee amendments.

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Hawaii Hydroelectric Project: Senate passed S. 846, to amend the Federal Power Act to remove the jurisdiction of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to license projects on fresh waters in the State of Hawaii.

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Wyoming Land Conveyance: Senate passed S. 799, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to transfer to the personal representative of the estate of Fred Steffens of Big Horn County, Wyoming, certain land comprising the Steffens family property, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Wyoming Land Conveyance: Senate passed S. 814, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to transfer to John R. and Margaret J. Lowe of Big Horn County, Wyoming, certain land so as to correct an error in the patent issued to their predecessors in interest, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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California Land Conveyance: Senate passed H.R. 960, to validate certain conveyances in the City of Tulare, Tulare County, California, clearing the measure for the President.

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Minidoka Project Conveyance: Senate passed S. 538, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain facilities of the Minidoka project to the Burley Irrigation District, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Burns (for Craig) Amendment No. 3044, to modify the committee amendment relating to land transfer.

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Washington State Hydroelectric Project: Senate passed H.R. 651, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act for the construction of a hydroelectric project located in the State of Washington, clearing the measure for the President.

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Washington State Hydroelectric Project: Senate passed H.R. 652, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act for the construction of a hydroelectric project located in the State of Washington, clearing the measure for the President.

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New York Hydroelectric Project: Senate passed H.R. 848, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of the AuSable Hydroelectric Project in New York, clearing the measure for the President.

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Washington State Hydroelectric Project: Senate passed H.R. 1184, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act for the construction of the Bear Creek hydroelectric project in the State of Washington, clearing the measure for the President.

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Washington State Hydroelectric Project: Senate passed H.R. 1217, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act for the construction of a hydroelectric project located in the State of Washington, clearing the measure for the President.

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Martin Luther King Memorial Location: Senate passed H.J. Res. 113, approving the location of a Martin

Luther King, Jr., Memorial in the Nation's Capital, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 14219**

National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1635, to establish within the United States National Park Service the National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom program, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 14219**

National Peace Garden Memorial: Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to S. 731, to extend the legislative authority for construction of the National Peace Garden memorial, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 14219**

Higher Education Act Reauthorization—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 1882, to reauthorize the Higher Education Act of 1965, with a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and certain amendments to be proposed thereto. **Page 14208**

Alaska Land Conveyance—Agreement: A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 660, to provide for the continuation of higher education through the conveyance of certain public lands in the State of Alaska to the University of Alaska, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute, and certain amendments to be proposed thereto. **Page 14218**

Alaska Land Transfer Agreement: A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 1092, to provide for a transfer of land interests in order to facilitate surface transportation between the cities of Cold Bay, Alaska, and King Cove, Alaska, and certain amendments to be proposed thereto. **Page 14218**

Nominations—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the nominations of A. Howard Matz, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, and Victoria A. Roberts, of Michigan, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan, on Friday, June 26, 1998, with votes to occur thereon. **Page 14209**

Messages from the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report entitled "Science and Engineering Indicators—1998"; referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. (PM-141). **Page 14156**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Mary Anne Sullivan, of the District of Columbia, to be General Counsel of the Department of Energy.

Donald J. Barry, of Wisconsin, to be Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife.

Michael S. Dukakis, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Reform Board (AMTRAK) for a term of five years.

John Robert Smith, of Mississippi, to be a Member of the Reform Board (AMTRAK) for a term of five years.

Tommy G. Thompson, of Wisconsin, to be a Member of the Reform Board (AMTRAK) for a term of five years.

52 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

30 Army nominations in the rank of general.

10 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, Navy. **Pages 14209, 14220**

Nomination Received: Senate received the following nomination:

David O. Carter, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California. **Page 14220**

Messages From the President: **Page 14156**

Messages From the House: **Page 14156**

Measures Referred: **Page 14157**

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Authority for Committees: **Page 14201**

Additional Statements: **Page 14201**

Record Votes: Nine record votes were taken today. (Total—181) **Pages 14029, 14033, 14034, 14064, 14065, 14138, 14139, 14144, 14147**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 11:28 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, June 26, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 1419.)

Committee Meetings

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill to authorize funds through fiscal year 2003 for programs of the National School Lunch Act and the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 to provide children with increased access to food and nutrition assistance, and to simplify program operations and improve program management.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

An original bill making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999; and

An original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, and the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported 678 military nominations in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1283, to award Congressional gold medals to Jean Brown Trickey, Carlotta Walls LaNier, Melba Patillo Beals, Terrence Roberts, Gloria Ray Karlmark, Thelma Mothershed Wair, Ernest Green, Elizabeth Eckford, and Jefferson Thomas, commonly referred collectively as the "Little Rock Nine" on the occasion of the 40th anniversary of the integration of the Central High School in Little Rock, Arkansas;

An original bill entitled "International Anti-Bribery Act"; and

The nominations of Michael J. Copps, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Trade Development, and Awilda R. Marquez, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary, and Director General of the United States and Foreign Commercial Service, both of the Department of Commerce.

FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPETITIVENESS ACT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on H.R. 10, to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, and other financial service providers, after receiving testimony from Julie L. Williams, Acting Comptroller of the Currency, and Ellen Seidman, Director, Office of Thrift Supervision, both of the Department of the Treasury; Arthur Levitt, Chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission; Donna Tanoue, Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Timothy R. McTaggart, Dover, Delaware, on behalf of the Conference of State Bank Supervisors; George Nichols III, Shelbyville, Kentucky, on behalf of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners; and Denise Voigt Crawford, on behalf of the North American Securities Administrators Association, and James L. Pledger, on behalf of the American Council of State Savings Supervisors, both of Austin, Texas.

NOMINATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of William Lloyd Massey, of Arkansas, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

Prior to this action, committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Mr. Massey, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Bumpers, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

UTAH LAND EXCHANGE

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management concluded hearings on S. 2146 and H.R. 3830, bills to provide for the exchange of Utah School Trust lands located within Utah's national parks, monuments, recreation areas, and forests for cash and federal assets in other parts of Utah, after receiving testimony from Senators Hatch and Bennett; Representatives Cook and Cannon; John D. Leshy, Solicitor, Department of the Interior; Utah Governor Michael O. Leavitt, David T. Terry, Utah School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration, John L. Watson, Utah State Board of Education, Paula Plant, Utah Congress of Parents and Teachers, and Roger P. Pinkerton, Conoco Inc., all of Salt Lake City, Utah; Emery County Commissioner Randy G. Johnson, Castle Dale, Utah, on behalf of the Utah Association of Counties Public Lands Oversight Committee; Garfield County Commissioner Louise Liston, Escalante, Utah; Kane County Commissioner Joe Judd, Kanab, Utah; and William H. Meadows, Wilderness Society, Washington, D.C.

CHINA MISSILE PROLIFERATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee held closed hearings to examine Chinese missile proliferation issues, receiving testimony from John Lauder, Special Assistant to the Director of Central Intelligence for Nonproliferation.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

DUAL-USE TECHNOLOGY EXPORT LICENSING PROCESS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine the Defense Technology Security Administration's role in the licensing process for the export of dual-use technologies to foreign countries, after receiving testimony from Peter M. Leitner, Senior Strategic Trade Advisor, Defense Technology Security Administration, and Franklin C. Miller, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Strategy and Threat Reduction, both of the Department of Defense.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1976, to increase public awareness of the plight of victims of crime with developmental disabilities, to col-

lect data to measure the magnitude of the problem, and to develop strategies to address the safety and justice needs of victims of crime with developmental disabilities, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of John D. Kelly, of North Dakota, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit, Raner Christercunean Collins, to be United States District Judge for the District of Arizona, Robert G. James, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana, Dan A. Polster, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Ohio, and Ralph E. Tyson, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Louisiana.

Also, committee continued markup of S.J. Res. 44, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to protect the rights of crime victims, but did not complete action thereon and recessed subject to call.

JUDGESHIP ALLOCATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts concluded hearings to examine the appropriate allocation of judgeships in the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, after receiving testimony from Richard A. Posner, Chief Judge, Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals; and William R. Quinlan, Quinlan & Crisham, Chicago, Illinois.

HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR 55- TO 64-YEAR-OLDS

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee concluded hearings to examine a report entitled Private Health Insurance: Declining Employer Coverage May Affect Access for 55-to 64-Year-Olds, which addresses the employment, income, health, and health insurance status of the near elderly population, and their ability to obtain employer-based health insurance if they retire before becoming eligible for Medicare, and proposed legislation to expand access to health coverage for certain uninsured Americans aged 55–64 who are not yet eligible for Medicare, after receiving testimony from Senator Daschle; William J. Scanlon, Director, Health Financing and Systems Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; C. Keith Campbell, Seward, Alaska, on behalf of the American Association of Retired Persons; Paul Fronstin, Employee Benefit Research Institute, and Charles N. Kahn III, Health Insurance Association of America, both of Washington, D.C.; David Shactman, Institute for Health Policy/Brandeis University, Waltham, Massachusetts; and Teresa DeRuiter, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 55 public bills, H.R. 4138–4192; and 6 resolutions, H.J. Res. 124–125, H. Con. Res. 297, and H. Res. 495–497 were introduced. **Page 14019**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 2795, to extend certain contracts between the Bureau of Reclamation and irrigation water contractors in Wyoming and Nebraska that receive water from Glendo Reservoir, amended (H. Rept. 105–604);

H.R. 3682, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit taking minors across State lines to avoid laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions, amended (H. Rept. 105–605);

H.R. 3748, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to authorize appropriations for the Federal Election Commission for fiscal year 1999. (H. Rept. 105–606); and

H. Res. 392, relating to the importance of Japanese American relations and the urgent need for Japan to more effectively address its economic and financial problems and open its markets by eliminating informal barriers to trade and investment, thereby making a more effective contribution to leading the Asian region out of its current financial crisis, insuring against a global recession, and reinforcing regional stability and security, amended (H. Rept. 105–607, Part 1). **Page 14119**

Independence Day District Work Period: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 297, providing for adjournment of the House and Senate for the Independence Day district work period. **Page 13945**

Earlier the House agreed to H. Res. 491, the rule that provided for consideration of the concurrent resolution by a yeas and nays vote of 225 yeas to 188 nays, Roll No. 267. **Pages 13916, 13944**

Treasury, Postal Service Appropriations Act: By a recorded vote of 125 yeas to 291 nays, Roll No. 268, the House failed to agree to H. Res. 485, the rule to provide for consideration of H.R. 4104, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, **Pages 13921, 13945**

Legislative Branch Appropriations Act: The House passed H.R. 4112, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, by a yeas and nays vote of 235 yeas to 179 nays, Roll No. 272. **Page 13948**

By a yeas and nays vote of 192 yeas to 222 nays, Roll No. 271, rejected the Obey motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report it back with an amendment to reduce "Committee

Employees Standing Committees, Special and Select" funding by \$8.3 million. **Page 13965**

Agreed To:

The Farr amendment that clarifies that \$100,000 shall be made available for the Office Waste Recycling Program; and **Page 13963**

The Gutierrez amendment that mandates the establishment of a energy conservation plan, thus bringing Congress into compliance with the energy efficiency standards established under the Energy Policy Relief Act of 1992. **Page 13964**

A point of order was sustained against Section 108, dealing with transit programs. **Page 13963**

H. Res. 489, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a recorded vote of 228 yeas to 188 noes, Roll No. 270. Earlier, agreed to order the previous question by a yeas and nays vote of 222 yeas to 194 nays, Roll No. 269. **Pages 13930, 13946**

Member Sworn: Representative-elect Heather Wilson of New Mexico presented herself in the well of the House and was administered the oath of office by the Speaker. **Page 13968**

IRS Restructuring and Reform Act Conference Report: The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 2676, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service, by a recorded vote of 402 yeas to 8 noes, Roll No. 273. **Page 13968**

Rejected the McDermott motion to recommit the conference report with instructions to managers on the part of the House to disagree to section 5001, relating to lower capital gains rates to apply to property held more than 1 year by a yeas and nays vote of 116 yeas to 292 nays, Roll No. 273. **Page 13983**

H. Res. 490, the rule that waived points of order against the conference report accompanying the bill, was agreed to earlier by a voice vote. **Page 13918**

Late Reports: The Committee on Appropriations received permission to have until midnight on Wednesday, July 8, to file reports on bills making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies; and making appropriations for the Department of Veterans Affairs, HUD, and sundry agencies. **Page 13985**

Legislative Program: Representative Solomon announced the legislative program for the week of July 13. **Page 13985**

Honoring the Berlin Airlift: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 230, amended, honoring the Berlin Airlift. Earlier, agreed by unanimous consent to technical amendments offered by Mr. Hefley. **Page 14002**

Child Support Performance and Incentive Act: The House agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 3130, to provide for an alternative penalty procedure for States that fail to meet Federal child support data processing re-

quirements, to reform Federal incentive payments for effective child support performance, and to provide for a more flexible penalty procedure for States that violate interjurisdictional adoption requirements, with House amendments. **Page 13986**

Private Non-Profit Food Bank Volunteers: The House passed H.R. 3152, amended, to provide that certain volunteers at private non-profit food banks are not employees for purposes of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938. Earlier, agreed by unanimous consent to the amendment in the nature of a substitute offered by Mr. Ballenger. **Page 14002**

Emancipation of African slaves in the Danish West Indies now the United States Virgin Islands: The House agreed to H. Res. 495, relating to the recognition of the connection between the emancipation of African slaves in the Danish West Indies, now the United States Virgin Islands, to the American Declaration of Independence from the British Government. **Page 14004**

Presidential Message—Science and Engineering Indicators: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted the Science and Engineering Indicators of 1998 report of the National Science Board—referred to the Committee on Science. **Page 14005**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Morella to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through July 14, 1998. **Page 14005**

Resignations and Appointments: Agreed that notwithstanding any adjournment of the House until Tuesday, July 14, 1998, the Speaker, Majority Leader, and Minority Leader, be authorized to accept resignations and to make appointments authorized by law or by the House. **Page 14006**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed that business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on July 15. **Page 14006**

Senate Message: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages 13913 and 14009.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 14023.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Five yeas and nays votes, and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 13944, 13945, 13946, 13947, 13966, 13967, 13983, and 13984. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 297, adjourned at 7:33 p.m., until July 14.

Committee Meetings

FOOD QUALITY PROTECTION ACT—IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Department Operations, Nutrition, and Foreign Agriculture held a hearing to review the implementation of the Food Quality Protection Act. Testimony was heard from Richard Rominger, Deputy Secretary, USDA; Fred Hansen, Deputy Administrator, EPA; Jean-Mari Peltier, Chief Deputy Director, Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Pesticide Regulation, State of California; and public witnesses.

AGRICULTURAL EXPORT PROGRAMS ADMINISTRATION'S USE

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities held a hearing to review the Administration's use of agricultural export programs. Testimony was heard from Representative Hill and August Schumacher, Jr., Under Secretary, Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services, USDA.

INTERIOR AND VA, HUD AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the following appropriations for fiscal year 1999: Interior and VA, HUD and Independent Agencies.

HOMEOWNERS' INSURANCE AVAILABILITY ACT

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Began markup of H.R. 219, Homeowners' Insurance Availability Act of 1997.

Will continue July 15.

ELECTRONIC COMMERCE

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on Electronic Commerce: Consumer Protection in Cyberspace. Testimony was heard from Eileen Harrington, Associate Director, Division of Marketing Practices, Bureau of Consumer Protection, FTC; Shirley Sarna, Assistant Attorney General, Bureau of Consumer Frauds and Protection, State of New York; and public witnesses.

IMPEDIMENTS TO UNION DEMOCRACY

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations continued hearings on Impediments to Union Democracy, Part II: Right to Vote in the Carpenter's Union? Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

NIGERIA—PROSPECTS FOR DEMOCRACY

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on Prospects for Democracy in Nigeria. Testimony was heard from Susan Rice, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of African Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime held a hearing on the following bills; H.R. 4100, Free Market Prison Industries Reform Act of 1998; and H.R. 2758, Federal Prison Industries Competition in Contracting Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice: Kathleen Hawk Sawyer, Director; and Steve Schwalb, Assistant Director; Michael J. Sullivan, Secretary, Department of Corrections, State of Wisconsin; and public witnesses.

RADIATION WORKERS JUSTICE ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration held a hearing on H.R. 3539, Radiation Workers Justice Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Representative Redmond; Donald M. Remy, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Civil Division, Department of Justice; Lawrence J. Fine, M.D., Director, Division of Surveillance, Hazard Evaluations and Field Studies, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Center for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—FOREST SERVICE TRAINING

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held an oversight hearing on Forest Service Training. Testimony was heard from Ron Stewart, Deputy Chief, Programs and Legislation, Forest Service, USDA.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES OVERSIGHT—AUBURN DAM SITE;

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 4111, amended, to provide for outlet modifications to Folsom Dam, a study for reconstruction of the Northfork American River Cofferdam, and the transfer to the State of California all right, title, and interest in and to the Auburn Dam; H.R. 1282, amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain facilities of the Minidoka project to the Burley Irrigation district; H.R. 1943, amended, to convey certain real property within the Carlsbad Project in New Mexico to the Carlsbad Irrigation District; H.R. 3056, to provide for the preservation and sustainability of the family farm through the transfer of responsibility for operation and maintenance of the Flathead Indian Irrigation Project; H.R. 3687, amended, to authorize prepayment of amounts due under a water reclamation project contract for the Canadian River Project, Texas; and H.R. 4048, amended, to convey the Sly Park Dam and Reservoir to the El Dorado Irrigation District.

The Subcommittee held an oversight hearing on the status of the Auburn Dam Site and the potential to transfer the Federal interest to the State of California. Testimony was heard from John Zirschky, Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army, Civil Works, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—CHINA: DUAL-USE SPACE TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Science: Held an oversight hearing on China: Dual-Use Space Technology. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

WOMEN'S SMALL BUSINESS EXPANSION ACT

Committee on Small Business: Ordered reported H.R. 4078, Women's Small Business Expansion Act of 1998.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; RESOLUTIONS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 2379, to designate the Federal building and U.S. courthouse located at 251 North Main Street in Winston-Salem, NC, as the "Hiram H. Ward Federal Building and United States Courthouse"; H.R. 2787, amended, to designate the United States courthouse located in New Haven, Connecticut, as the "Richard C. Lee United States Courthouse"; H.R. 3696, amended, to designate the Federal Courthouse located at 316 North 26th Street in Billings, Montana, as the "James F. Battin Federal Courthouse"; H.R. 3982, amended, to designate the Federal building located at 310 New Bern Avenue in Raleigh, North Carolina, as the "Terry Sanford Federal Building"; H.R. 3223, to designate the Federal building located at 300 East 8th Street in Austin, Texas, as the "J.J. 'Jake' Pickle Federal Building"; S. 1800, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 85 Marconi Boulevard in Columbus, Ohio, as the "Joseph P. Kinneary United States Courthouse"; Corps of Engineers Survey Resolutions; NRCS Small Watershed Project Resolutions; H.R. 3869, amended, Disaster Mitigation Act of 1998; H.R. 4058, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize programs of the Federal Aviation Administration; H.R. 2748, amended, Airline Service Improvement Act; and H.R. 4057, amended, Airport Improvement Program Reauthorization Act of 1998.

The Committee approved the following resolutions: 12 Public Building; 9 construction; 1 advance design; 2 repair and alteration; 9 Corps of Engineers Survey; and 2 NRCS Small Watershed Project.

The Committee also approved pending Committee business.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held an oversight hearing of the U.S. Role in the International Maritime Organization. Testimony was heard from Rear Adm. Robert C. North, USCG, Assistant Commandant, Marine Safety, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

FEDERAL RETIREMENT COVERAGE CORRECTIONS ACT; TRADE MEASURES

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported amended H.R. 3249, Federal Retirement Coverage Corrections Act.

The Committee adversely reported the following measures: H.J. Res. 120, disapproving the extension of the waiver authority contained in section 402(c) of the Trade Act of 1974 with respect to Vietnam; and H.J. Res. 121, disapproving the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (most-favored-nation treatment) to the products of the People's Republic of China.

Friday, June 26, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 14246–14360

Measures Introduced: Twenty-three bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2237–2259 and S. Res. 255.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2237, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. (S. Rept. No. 105–227)

S. 638, to provide for the expeditious completion of the acquisition of private mineral interests within the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument mandated by the 1982 Act that established the Monument, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–229)

S. 1403, to amend the National Historic Preservation Act for purposes of establishing a national historic light-house preservation program, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–230)

H.R. 1439, to facilitate the sale of certain land in Tahoe National Forest, in the State of California to Placer County, California. (S. Rept. No. 105–231)

H.R. 1779, to make a minor adjustment in the exterior boundary of the Devils Backbone Wilderness in the Mark Twain National Forest, Missouri, to exclude a small parcel of land containing improvements. (S. Rept. No. 105–232)

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Measures Passed:

National Center for Missing and Exploited Children: Senate passed S. 2073, to authorize appropriations for the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, after agreeing to a committee amendment, and the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Lott (for Hatch) Amendment No. 3047, to provide for sentencing enhancements and amendments to the Federal

Sentencing Guidelines for offenses relating to the abuse and exploitation of children. **Page 14318**

Lott (for Leahy/Hatch) Amendment No. 3048, to reauthorize the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act. **Page 14318**

Berlin Airlift: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. Con. Res. 81, honoring the Berlin Airlift, and the measure was then agreed to, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto: **Page 14325**

Lott (for Coverdell) Amendment No. 3049, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 14325**

Intelligence Authorization Act, Fiscal Year 1999: Committee on Intelligence was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 3694, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Retirement and Disability System, and the bill was then passed, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 2052, Senate companion measure, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto: **Page 14345**

Lott (for Shelby) Amendment No. 3050, to provide for the designation of the headquarters Building of the Central Intelligence Agency as the George Herbert Walker Bush Center for Central Intelligence. **Page 14348**

Lott (for Kerrey) Amendment No. 3051, to authorize the Assistant Director of Central Intelligence for Analysis and Production to direct competitive analysis of analytical products having National importance. **Page 14348**

Lott (for Kerrey) Amendment No. 3052, to require annual studies and reports on the safety and security of Russian nuclear facilities and nuclear military forces. **Page 14348**

Lott (for Coats) Amendment No. 3053, relating to a quadrennial intelligence review. **Page 14348**

Prior to this action, Committee on Armed Services was discharged from further consideration of S. 2052. **Page 14345**

Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees: Senators Shelby, Chafee, Lugar, DeWine, Kyl, Inhofe, Hatch, Roberts, Allard, Coats, Kerrey, Glenn, Bryan, Graham, Kerry, Baucus, Robb, Lautenberg, and Levin, and from the Committee on Armed Services: Senator Thurmond. **Page 14353**

Subsequently, S. 2052, was placed on the Senate calendar. **Page 14349**

Commending the Library of Congress: Senate agreed to S. Res. 255, to commend the Library of Congress for 200 years of outstanding service to Congress and the Nation, and to encourage activities to commemorate the bicentennial anniversary of the Library of Congress. **Page 14354**

Next Generation Internet Research Act: Senate passed S. 1609, to amend the High-Performance Computing Act of 1991 to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1999 and 2000 for the Next Generation Internet program, and to require the Advisory Committee on High-Performance Computing and Communications, Information Technology, and the Next Generation Internet to monitor and give advice concerning the development and implementation of the Next Generation Internet program and report to the President and the Congress on its activities, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto: **Page 14355**

Lott (for Frist/Rockefeller) Amendment No. 3054, to change the authorization levels for the Department of Defense and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and to provide that the FY 1999 DOD authorization is under the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999. **Page 14355**

Lott (for Leahy/Ashcroft) Amendment No. 3055, to authorize the comprehensive independent study of the effects on trademark and intellectual property rights holders of adding new generic top-level domains and related dispute resolution procedures. **Page 14355**

Product Liability—Cloture Motion Filed: A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 648, to establish legal standards and procedures for product liability litigation and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Tuesday, July 7, 1998. **Page 14316**

Child Support Performance and Incentive Act: Senate concurred in the amendments of the House to the amendments of the Senate to H.R. 3130, to provide for an alternative penalty procedure for States that fail to meet Federal child support data processing requirements, to reform Federal incentive payments for effective child support performance, and to provide for a more flexible penalty procedure for States that violate interjurisdictional adoption requirements, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 14326**

Appointments:

Presidential Advisory Commission on Holocaust Assets in the U.S.: The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 105-186, appointed the following Senators to the Presidential Advisory Commission on Holocaust Assets in the United States: Senators D'Amato and Specter; and on behalf of the Democratic Leader: Senators Boxer and Dodd. **Page 14317**

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaties:

Tax Convention with Estonia (Treaty Doc. 105-55);

Tax Convention with Lithuania (Treaty Doc. 105-56); and

Tax Convention with Latvia (Treaty Doc. 105-57).

The treaties were transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and was ordered to be printed.

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Treaties Approved: The following treaties having passed through their various parliamentary stages, up to and including the presentation of the resolution of ratification, upon division, two-thirds of the Senators present and having voted in the affirmative, the resolutions of ratification were agreed to:

Convention for the Protection of Plants, with one reservation, two declarations, and one provision. (Treaty Doc. 105-15)

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International Grains Agreement, 1995, with one declaration and one proviso. (Treaty Doc. 105-16)

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Trademark Law Treaty with Regulations, with two declarations, and one proviso. (Treaty Doc. 105-17)

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Amendments to the Convention on the International Maritime Organization, with one declaration, and one proviso. (Treaty Doc. 105-18)

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Authority for Committees: All committees were authorized to file executive and legislative reports during the adjournment of the Senate on Thursday, July 2, 1998, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations: By unanimous vote of 85 yeas (Vote No. 182EX), A. Howard Matz, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

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By unanimous vote of 85 yeas (Vote No. 183EX), Victoria A. Roberts, of Michigan, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan.

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Nancy E. Soderberg, of the District of Columbia, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during her tenure of service as Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations.

Nancy E. Soderberg, of the District of Columbia, to be Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador.

Michael J. Copps, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

Shirley Elizabeth Barnes, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Madagascar.

Charles Richard Stith, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the United Republic of Tanzania.

Vivian Lowery Derryck, of Ohio, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Agency for International Development.

Eric S. Edelman, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Finland.

Nancy Halliday Ely-Raphel, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Slovenia.

William Davis Clarke, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the State of Eritrea.

George Williford Boyce Haley, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Gambia.

Katherine Hubay Peterson, of California, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Lesotho.

Jeffrey Davidow, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Mexico.

John O'Leary, of Maine, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Chile.

Michael Craig Lemmon, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Armenia.

Rudolf Vilem Perina, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Moldova.

Paul L. Cejas, of Florida, to be Ambassador to Belgium.

Cynthia Perrin Schneider, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

Awilda R. Marquez, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce, and Director General of the United States and Foreign Commercial Service.

William Lloyd Massey, of Arkansas, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for the term expiring June 30, 2003.

Kenneth Spencer Yalowitz, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Georgia.

1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.

A routine list in the Foreign Service.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Susan G. Esserman, of Maryland, to be Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador.

Richard E. Hecklinger, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Thailand.

Theodore H. Kattouf, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the United Arab Emirates.

7 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

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Messages From the House:

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Measures Placed on Calendar:

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Amendments Submitted:

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Notices of Hearings:

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Additional Statements:

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—183) **Page 14253**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and, in accordance with H. Con. Res. 297, adjourned at 2:15 p.m., until 12 noon, on Monday, July 6, 1998.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will next meet on Tuesday, July 14 at 12:30 p.m. for morning hour debate.

Committee Meetings

HUMAN RIGHTS IN CHINA

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights held a hearing on Human Rights in China. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Monday, July 6, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 14397–14586

Measures Introduced: Four bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2261–2264. **Page 14414**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Reported on Thursday, July 2, during the adjournment:

S. 1752, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain administrative sites and use the proceeds for the acquisition of office sites and the acquisition, construction, or improvement of offices and support buildings for the Coconino National Forest, Kaibab National Forest, Prescott National Forest, and Tonto National Forest in the State of Arizona, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–233)

S. 1807, to transfer administrative jurisdiction over certain parcels of public domain land in Lake County, Oregon, to facilitate management of the land, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–234)

S. 2260, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. (S. Rept. No. 105–235)

H.R. 434, to provide for the conveyance of small parcels of land in the Carson National Forest and the Santa Fe National Forest, New Mexico, to the village of El Rito and the town of Jemez Springs, New Mexico, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–236)

H.R. 2165, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of FERC Project Number 3862 in the State of Iowa. (S. Rept. No. 105–237)

H.R. 2217, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of FERC Project Number 9248 in the State of Colorado. (S. Rept. No. 105–238)

H.R. 2841, to extend the time required for the construction of a hydroelectric project. (S. Rept. No. 105–239)

S. 1510, to direct the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain lands to the county of Rio Arriba, New Mexico, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–240)

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VA/HUD Appropriations: Senate began consideration of S. 2168, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

Pages 14400, 14407

Adopted:

Bond/Mikulski Amendment No. 3056, to provide additional funds for anti-terrorism activities of the Federal Emergency Management Agency. **Page 14407**

Bond/Mikulski Amendment No. 3057, to transfer land from the Department of Veterans Affairs to the University of Alabama, to clarify that States may charge loan fees to clean water state revolving fund borrowers, to make technical reforms to the Mark-to-Market program, and to make certain technical corrections. **Page 14408**

Senate may continue consideration of the bill on Tuesday, July 7, 1998.

Measures Read First Time: **Page 14411**

Communications: **Page 14411**

Statements on Introduced Bills: **Page 14414**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page 14415**

Amendments Submitted: **Page 14416**

Additional Statements: **Page 14418**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon, and adjourned at 5:19 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, July 7, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the

Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 14581.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will next meet on Tuesday, July 14 at 12:30 p.m. for morning Hour debate.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

SECOND SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House.
The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 27 through June 30, 1998

	<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Days in session	85	65	..
Time in session	661 hrs., 32 '	528 hrs., 36 '	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	7339	5408	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	1277	..
Public bills enacted into law	16	17	33
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	..	..
Bills in conference	6	10	..
Measures passed, total	163	267	430
Senate bills	38	18	..
House bills	36	114	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
House joint resolutions	2	3	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	14	5	..
House concurrent resolutions	13	24	..
Simple resolutions	60	103	..
Measures reported, total	* 128	* 191	319
Senate bills	81	1	..
House bills	23	111	..
Senate joint resolutions	2	..	..
House joint resolutions	1	2	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	6	..	..
House concurrent resolutions	1	8	..
Simple resolutions	14	69	..
Special reports	9	4	..
Conference reports .....	..	6	..
Measures pending on calendar	191	55	..
Measures introduced, total	837	1383	2220
Bills	694	1104	..
Joint resolutions	15	19	..
Concurrent resolutions	36	97	..
Simple resolutions	92	163	..
Quorum calls	2	7	..
Yea-and-nay votes	183	130	..
Recorded votes .....	..	137	..
Bills vetoed	1	1	..
Vetoes overridden	1	1	..

*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 74 reports have been filed in the Senate, a total of 201 reports have been filed in the House.

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 27 through June 30, 1998

Civilian nominations, totaling 309, (including 124 nominations carried from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	125
Unconfirmed	169
Withdrawn	15
Civilian nominations (FS, PHS, CG, NOAA), totaling 1,154, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	599
Unconfirmed	555
Air Force nominations, totaling 2,273, (including 21 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	2,209
Unconfirmed	64
Army nominations, totaling 2,089, (including 2 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,632
Unconfirmed	457
Navy nominations, totaling 1,077, (including 4 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	454
Unconfirmed	623
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 1,844, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,791
Unconfirmed	53

Summary

Total nominations carried over from the First Session	237
Total nominations received this session	8,509
Total confirmed	6,810
Total unconfirmed	1,921
Total withdrawn	15

Tuesday, July 7, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 14589–14687

Measures Introduced: Seven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2265–2271, and S. Con. Res. 107. **Page 14640**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S.J. Res. 44, A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to protect the rights of crime victims, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 14640**

VA/HUD Appropriations: Senate resumed consideration of S. 2168, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Page 14602**

Pending:

Daschle Amendment No. 3063, to amend the Public Health Service Act and the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to protect consumers in managed care plans and other health coverage. **Page 14628**

Rejected:

By 33 yeas to 66 nays (Vote No. 185), Bumpers Amendment No. 3062, to terminate the International Space Station program and provide additional funding for veterans and low-income housing. **Pages 14602, 14628**

Product Liability: Senate began consideration of S. 648, to establish legal standards and procedures for product liability litigation, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 14589, 14630**

Pending:

Lott Amendment No. 3064, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 14630**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 71 yeas to 24 nays (Vote No. 184), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page 14589**

A motion was entered to close further debate on Amendment No. 3064, listed above, and in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Thursday, July 9, 1998. **Page 14630**

IRS Reform—Conference Report: Senate began consideration of the conference report on H.R. 2676, to amend

the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service. **Page 14630**

Senate will continue consideration of the conference report on Wednesday, July 8, 1998.

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Sallyanne Harper, of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Environmental Protection Agency. **Pages 14678, 14687**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Carolyn H. Becraft, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Navy.

Ruby Butler DeMesme, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Air Force.

Patrick T. Henry, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army.

Bert T. Edwards, of Maryland, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of State.

Joseph H. Melrose, Jr., of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Sierra Leone.

John Shattuck, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the Czech Republic.

David G. Carpenter, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State.

David G. Carpenter, of Virginia, to be Director of the Office of Foreign Missions, and to have the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service.

Richard Henry Jones, of Nebraska, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Charles F. Kartman, of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Special Envoy for the Korean Peace Talks.

Kathryn Dee Robinson, of Tennessee, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Ghana.

Robert Patrick John Finn, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Tajikistan.

3 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

27 Army nominations in the rank of general.

7 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Navy, and Public Health Service. **Page 14678**

Messages From the House: **Page 14639**

Measures Placed on Calendar: **Page 14640**

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Statements on Introduced Bills: **Page 14640**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page 14646**

Amendments Submitted: **Page 14650**

Authority for Committees: **Page 14672**

Additional Statements: **Page 14672**

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—185) **Pages 14589, 14629**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 8:27 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, July 8, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 14678.)

Committee Meetings

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded hearings on S. 263, to prohibit the import, export, sale, purchase, possession, transportation, acquisition, and receipt of bear viscera or products that contain or claim to contain bear viscera, S. 361, to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to prohibit the sale, import, and export of products labeled as containing endangered species, S. 659, to amend the Great Lakes Fish and Wildlife Restoration Act of 1990 to provide for implementation of recommendations of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service contained in the Great Lakes Fishery Restoration Study Report, S. 1970, to require the Secretary of the Interior to establish a program to provide assistance in the conservation of neotropical migratory birds, S. 2094, to amend the Fish and Wildlife Improvement Act of 1978 to enable the Secretary of the Interior to more effectively use the proceeds of sales of certain items, S. 2244, to amend the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 to promote volunteer programs and community partnerships for the benefit of national wildlife refuges, H.R. 2807, to amend the Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act of 1994 to prohibit the sale, importation, and exportation of products labeled as containing substances derived from rhinoceros or tiger, and H.R. 3113, to authorize funds through fiscal year 2004 for the Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Fund, after receiving testimony from John Rogers, Deputy Director for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; Ginette Hemley, World Wildlife Fund, Wayne Pacelle, Humane Society of the United States, and Gary Taylor, International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies, all of Washington, D.C.; Kristin L. Vehrs, American Zoo and Aquarium Association, Bethesda, Maryland; Molly Krival, Ding Darling Wildlife Society, Sanibel, Florida; and Thomas Crane, Great Lakes Commission, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

U.S.-VIETNAM EMIGRATION WAIVER

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on International Trade held hearings on S.J. Res. 47, disapproving the recommendation of the President to extend the authority to waive freedom of emigration requirements in the Trade Act of 1974 with respect to Vietnam, receiving testimony from Senators Helms, Kerry, McCain, and Smith; Stanley O. Roth, Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and

Pacific Affairs; Richard T. Childress, former Director of Asian Affairs, National Security Council; Bruce Harter, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, and Frances Zwenig, United States-Vietnam Trade Council, both of Washington, D.C.; and Nguyen Dinh Thang, Boat People, S.O.S., Merrifield, Virginia, on behalf of the Vietnamese Community of Washington, D.C., Maryland, and Virginia, and the Coalition Against the Jackson-Vanik Waiver for Vietnam.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

SSI CHILDHOOD DISABILITY BENEFITS

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on Social Security and Family Policy held oversight hearings on the Social Security Administration's implementation of the new eligibility criteria for childhood disability benefits under the Supplemental Security Income program set forth by the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act (P.L. 104-193), receiving testimony from Kenneth S. Apfel, Commissioner, Social Security Administration; Jonathan M. Stein, Community Legal Services, Inc., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Dawn Wardyga, Family Voices of Rhode Island, Barrington; Michael Brennan, National Council of Directors of Disability Determinations, Lincoln, Nebraska; Robert E. Cooke, Joseph P. Kennedy Jr. Foundation, Washington, D.C.; Laurie Humphries, Lexington, Kentucky, on behalf of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry; and James Perrin, Boston, Massachusetts, on behalf of the American Academy of Pediatrics.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported S.J. Res. 44, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to protect the rights of crime victims, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

ENTERTAINMENT AND INFORMATION MERGERS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights, and Competition concluded hearings to examine certain implications with regard to the convergence and consolidation of technologies in the entertainment and information industries, including the proposed merger between AT&T Corp. and TeleCommunications Inc., after receiving testimony from Robert A. Iger, ABC, Inc., and Richard D. Parsons, Time Warner Inc., both of New York, New York; C. Michael Armstrong, AT&T Corp., Basking Ridge, New Jersey; and John Marselle, Sun Microsystems Federal, Inc., McLean, Virginia.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will next meet on Tuesday, July 14 at 12:30 p.m. for Morning Hour debate.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Wednesday, July 8, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 14688–14774

Measures Introduced: Seven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2272–2278 and S. Res. 256. **Page 14747**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2071, to extend a quarterly financial report program administered by the Secretary of Commerce. (S. Rept. No. 105–241)

Report to accompany H.R. 1534, Citizens Access to Justice Act. (S. Rept. No. 105–242) **Page 14747**

Measures Passed:

Technical Corrections: Senate passed S. 2275, to make technical corrections to the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998. **Page 14769**

IRS Reform—Conference Report: Senate resumed consideration of the conference report on H.R. 2676, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service.

Pages 14688, 14739

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 76 yeas to 22 nays (Vote No. 186), Senate agreed to a motion to table the motion to appeal the ruling of the Chair in not sustaining a point of order against the conference report as exceeding the scope of the conference with respect to capital gains reduction (Title 9).

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By 50 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 187), Senate agreed to a motion to table the motion to appeal the ruling of the Chair in not sustaining a point of order against the conference report as exceeding the scope of the conference with respect to veterans' smoking provisions (Title 9).

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Senate will vote on adoption of the conference report on Thursday, July 9, 1998.

Measures Placed on Calendar:

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Statements on Introduced Bills: **Page 14747**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page 14751**

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—187) **Pages 14730, 14744**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:31 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Thursday, July 9, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 14769.)

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—TRANSPORTATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

DIGITAL TELEVISION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee held hearings to examine the status of how American broadcasting and cable industries will make the transition to digital high definition television, and the role of Congress and the Federal Government in formulating policies and practices to facilitate a successful transition, receiving testimony from Elizabeth Murphy Burns, Morgan Murphy Stations, Madison, Wisconsin, on behalf of the Association for Maximum Service Television; Joseph J. Collins, Time Warner Cable, Stamford, Connecticut; Brian Lamb, C-SPAN, and Gregory M. Schmidt, LIN Television Corporation, on behalf of the National Association of Broadcasters, both of Washington, D.C.; and Alan McCollough, Circuit City Stores, Richmond, Virginia.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

CASPIAN ENERGY RESOURCES

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on International Economic Policy, Export and Trade Promotion resumed hearings to examine the implementation of United States policy to support multiple pipelines to bring oil and gas resources to world markets from the Caspian Sea region, receiving testimony from Marc Grossman, Assistant Secretary of State for European and Canadian Affairs; Stephen R. Sestanovich, Special Advisor to the Secretary of State for the New Independent States; Zbigniew Brzezinski, Center for Strategic and International Studies, and Martha Brill Olcott, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, both of Washington, D.C.; and Van Z. Krikorian, Armenian Assembly of America, New York, New York.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

SATELLITE EXPORT CONTROLS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation, and Federal Services concluded hearings to examine whether the Department of Commerce commercial satellite export control policy and process toward China is adequate to prevent technology transfers which pose a threat to United States security, after receiving testimony from John D. Holum, Acting Under Secretary of State for Arms Control and International Security Affairs; William A. Reinsch, Under Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration; and Frank W. Miller, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense.

FLAG DESECRATION PROHIBITION

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on provisions of S.J. Res. 40, proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States (pending on Senate calendar), after receiving testimony from Richard D. Parker, Harvard University Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts; Clint Bolick, Institute for Justice, Washington, D.C.; Gary G. Wetzel, Oak Creek, Wisconsin; Sean C. Stephenson, LaGrange, Illinois; John Schneider, Westlake Village, California; Tommy Lasorda, Los Angeles, California; and Marvin C. Stenhammar, Ashville, North Carolina.

HATE CRIMES PREVENTION

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee held hearings on S. 1529, to enhance Federal enforcement of hate crimes, receiving testimony from Senator Wyden; Eric H. Holder, Jr., Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice; Richard J. Arcara, United States District Judge for the Western District of New York, on behalf of the Judicial Conference of the United States; California State's Attorney for Kern County Edward Jagels, Bakersfield; Lubbock County Criminal District Attorney William C. Sowder, Lubbock, Texas; Lawrence Alan Alexander, University of San Diego School of Law, San Diego, California; William J. Stunts, University of Virginia, Charlottesville; Chai R. Feldblum, Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, D.C.; and Renee Mullins, Lufkin, Texas.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

INDIAN LANDS AND TRUST FUNDS

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the following bills:

S. 1905, to provide for equitable compensation for the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, after receiving testimony from Senator Daschle; and Gregg Bourland, Cheyenne River Sioux Tribal Council, Eagle Butte, South Dakota;

H.R. 700, to remove the restriction on the distribution of certain revenues from the Mineral Springs parcel to certain members of the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, after receiving testimony from Richard Milanovich and Benita Potters, both of the Agua Caliente

Band of Cahuilla Indians, and Bonnie Garland Guss, Guss Law Office, all of Palm Springs, California;

S. 391, to provide for the disposition of certain funds appropriated to pay judgment in favor of the Mississippi Sioux Indians, after receiving testimony from Andrew Grey, Sr., Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe, Agency Village, South Dakota; Vernon Ashley, Pierre, South Dakota; and Donald Loudner, Rapid City, South Dakota; and

S. 1419, to deem the activities of the Miccosukee Tribe on the Tamiami Indian Reserve to be consistent with the purposes of the Everglades National Park, after receiving testimony from Edward B. Cohen, Deputy Solicitor, Department of the Interior; and Billy Cypress, Miccosukee Tribe of Indians of Florida, Miami.

Testimony was also received on S. 1905, H.R. 700, and S. 391 (all listed above) from Michael J. Anderson, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs.

CHINA

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee resumed closed hearings on the investigation of the impacts to United States national security from advanced satellite technology exports to China and Chinese efforts to influence United States policy, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Hearings continue on Wednesday, July 15.

NOMINATION

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of L. Britt Snider, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Central Intelligence Agency, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators Warner and Glenn and former Senator Rudman, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will next meet on Tuesday, July 14 at 12:30 p.m. for morning Hour debate.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

Thursday, July 9, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 14777-14987

Measures Introduced: Six bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2279-2284. **Page 14960**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 512, to amend chapter 47 of title 18, United States Code, relating to identity fraud, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2143, to amend chapter 45 of title 28, United States Code, to authorize the Administrative Assistant to the Chief Justice to accept voluntary services, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 14960**

Measures Passed:

Farmer Export Relief: By a unanimous vote of 98 yeas (Vote No. 190), Senate passed S. 2282, to amend the Arms Export Control Act, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 14872**

Dodd/Warner Amendment No. 3113, to exempt medicines and medical equipment from sanctions. **Page 14888**

Higher Education: Committee on Labor and Human Resources was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 6, to extend the authorization of programs under the Higher Education Act of 1965, and by 96 yeas to 1 nays (Vote No. 195), the bill was passed after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 1882, Senate companion measure, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, as modified, and taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 14796, 14891**

Adopted:

Feinstein/Boxer Amendment 3107, to provide the Secretary of Education with discretionary authority to extend, on a case-by-case basis, Federal Pell Grant aid to teaching students enrolled in postbaccalaureate courses required by State law for teacher certification. **Page 14862**

Jeffords (for Specter) Amendment No. 3109, to increase public awareness concerning crime on college and university campuses. **Page 14864**

Graham Amendment No. 3110, to amend the need analysis calculation regarding certain veterans' educational assistance. **Page 14866**

By 56 yeas to 42 nays (Vote 191), Wellstone Amendment No. 3111, to expand the educational opportunities for welfare recipients. **Pages 14870, 14892**

Santorum/DeWine/Coverdell Amendment No. 3114, to improve accountability and reform certain programs. **Page 14891**

Warner Amendment No. 3117, to permit the disclosure of information regarding violation of laws governing

the use or possession of alcohol or drugs to a parent of a student at a postsecondary education institution. **Page 14934**

Jeffords Amendment No. 3120, to provide for the release of conditions, covenants, and reversionary interests regarding the Guam Community College Conveyance, to express the sense of the Congress that Congress should support character building initiatives in America's schools, and to improve performance and provide accountability for the quality of post-secondary teacher preparation programs. **Page 14948**

Rejected:

By 23 yeas to 74 nays (Vote No. 193), Bingaman/Cochran/Reid/Hollings Amendment No. 3116, to ensure that secondary school teachers are sufficiently prepared during their pre-service training to have sufficient academic knowledge to be able to help their students reach high academic standards. **Pages 14926, 14947**

By 41 yeas to 56 nays (Vote No. 194), Harkin/Reid Amendment No. 3118, to provide for a reduction in student loan fees. **Pages 14935, 14948**

By 39 yeas to 58 nays (Vote No. 192), Kennedy Amendment No. 3119, to provide for market-based determinations of lender returns. **Page 14942**

Withdrawn:

Sessions Amendment No. 3115, to provide additional tax incentives for education. **Page 14901**

Subsequently, S. 1882 was returned to the Senate Calendar.

IRS Reform—Conference Report: By 96 yeas to 2 nays (Vote No. 189), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 2676, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 14789**

Product Liability—Cloture Vote: By 51 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 188), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to agree to close further debate on Lott Amendment No. 3064, in the nature of a substitute, to S. 648, to establish legal standards and procedures for product liability litigation. **Page 14789**

Private Property Rights—Cloture Motion Filed: A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to the consideration of S. 2271, to simplify and expedite access to the Federal courts for injured parties whose rights and privileges, secured by the United States Constitution, have been deprived by final actions of Federal agencies, or other government officials or entities acting under color of State law, and by unanimous-consent agreement, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Monday, July 13, 1998, at 5:45 p.m. **Page 14951**

U.S. Commitments to Taiwan—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. Con. Res. 107, affirming United States

commitments to Taiwan, on Friday, July 10, 1998, with a vote to occur thereon. **Page 14987**

Measure Placed on Calendar: By unanimous-consent, S. 648, to establish legal standards and procedures for product liability litigation, was placed back on the Senate Calendar. **Page 14987**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Simon Ferro, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Panama.

William B. Milam, of California, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

D. Bambi Kraus, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development for a term expiring May 19, 2004.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general. **Page 14987**

Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nomination:

Carlos Pascual, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Agency for International Development, vice Thomas A. Dine, resigned, which was sent to the Senate on June 11, 1998. **Page 14987**

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Authority for Committees: **Page 14971**

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Record Votes: Eight record votes were taken today. (Total—195) **Pages 14789, 14795, 14891, 14900, 14947, 14948, 14950**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 11:48 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, July 10, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 14987.)

Committee Meetings

U.S. EXPORT CONTROL

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings to examine the role of the Department of Defense in implementing United States policy on export controls and nonproliferation, after receiving testimony from Stephen D. Bryen, former Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Trade and Security Policy; Gary Milhollin, University of Wisconsin Law School, Madison, on behalf of the Wisconsin Project on Nuclear Arms Control; and Mitchel B. Wallerstein, former Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Counterproliferation Policy.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nominations of William Clyburn, Jr., of South Carolina, to be a Member of the Surface Transportation Board, Department of Transportation, Deborah K. Kilmer, of Idaho, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce, Neal F. Lane, of Oklahoma, to be Director, and Rosina M. Bierbaum, of Virginia, to be an Associate Director, both of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, Clyde J. Hart, Jr., of New Jersey, to be Administrator of the Maritime Administration, Rear Adm. Timothy W. Josiah, for appointment as Chief of Staff, United States Coast Guard, and to the grade of Vice Admiral, and a United States Coast Guard promotion list received by the Senate on June 17, 1998;

S. 2124, authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation, with an amendment;

S. 1736, to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel BETTY JANE;

S. 2096, to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel FOILCAT, with an amendment;

S. 2139, to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel YESTERDAYS DREAM;

S. 1480, authorizing funds for fiscal year 1998 through 2000 for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to conduct research, monitoring, education and management activities for the eradication and control of harmful algal blooms, including blooms of *Pfiesteria piscicida* and other aquatic toxins, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

H.R. 3824, amending the Fastener Quality Act to exempt from its coverage certain fasteners approved by the Federal Aviation Administration for use in aircraft, with an amendment.

Also, committee began markup of proposed legislation authorizing funds for the Federal Aviation Administration, S. 268, to promote air safety and restore or preserve natural quiet in national parks by establishing minimum flight altitudes and prohibiting overflights below such minimum altitudes in any national park, and S. 1353, to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide assistance and slots with respect to air carrier service between high density airports and airports that do not receive sufficient air service, and to improve jet aircraft service to underserved markets, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again on Tuesday, July 14, 1998.

**NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE/NATIONAL PARKS/
HAWAII LAND ACQUISITION**

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation concluded hearings on S. 2232, to establish the Little Rock Central High School National Historic Site in the State of Arkansas, S. 2106 and H.R. 2283, bills to expand the boundaries of Arches National Park, Utah, to include portions of certain drainages that are under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management, and to include a portion of Fish Seep Draw currently owned by the State of Utah, S. 2129, to eliminate restrictions on the acquisition of certain land contiguous to Hawaii Volcanoes National Park, and S. 1333, to amend the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 to allow national park units that cannot charge an entrance or admission fee to retain other fees and charges, after receiving testimony from William Shaddox, Acting Associate Director for Professional Services, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; Everett Tucker, III, Central High Museum, Inc., Little Rock, Arkansas; Ernest Green, Lehman Brothers, Washington, D.C.; and Tom Robinson, Grand Canyon Trust, Flagstaff, Arizona.

**ESTUARY CONSERVATION/COASTAL
POLLUTION REDUCTION**

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1222, to catalyze restoration of estuary habitat through more efficient financing of projects and enhanced coordination of Federal and non-Federal restoration programs, S. 1321, to authorize funds to permit grants for the national estuary program to be used for the development and implementation of a comprehensive conservation and management plan, and H.R. 2207, to require the owner or operator of the Mayaguez, Puerto Rico, publicly owned treatment works, in order to be eligible to apply for a waiver of secondary treatment requirements, to transmit to the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency the results of a study of the marine environment of coastal areas in the Mayaguez area to determine the feasibility of constructing a deep ocean outfall for the treatment works, and to authorize funds through fiscal year 1998 for the National Estuary Program, after receiving testimony from Senators Faircloth, Breaux, and Torricelli; Robert H. Wayland, III, Director, Office of Wetlands, Oceans and Watersheds, Office of Water, Environmental Protection Agency; Michael L. Davis, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works; H. Curtis Spalding, Save the Bay, Providence, Rhode Island; JoAnn M. Burkholder, North Carolina State University, Raleigh; J. Walter Milon, University of Florida, Gainesville; Ted Morton, American Oceans Campaign, Washington, D.C.; Xavier Romeu, Puerto Rico Federal Affairs Administration, San Juan; and Juan C. Martinez-Cruzado, Mayaguezanos for Health and Environment, Inc., Mayaguez, Puerto Rico.

U.S.-CHINA TRADE RELATIONS

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings to examine the Administration's proposed renewal of normal trade relations with China, receiving testimony from Madeleine K. Albright, Secretary of State; Charlene Barshefsky, United States Trade Representative; Zbigniew Brzezinski, Center for Strategic and International Studies, former National Security Advisor, Brent Scowcroft, Scowcroft Group, on behalf of the Forum for International Policy, former National Security Advisor, and Mike Jendrzeczyk, Human Rights Watch, all of Washington, D.C.; Ernest S. Micek, Cargill, Incorporated, Minneapolis, Minnesota; Rabbi Arthur Schneier, Appeal of Conscience Foundation, New York, New York; Frederick W. Smith, FDX Corporation, Memphis, Tennessee; and Warren W. Smith, Alexandria, Virginia.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

SAFETY OF FOOD IMPORTS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations resumed hearings to examine the adequacy of procedures and systems used by the Department of Agriculture Food Safety and Inspection Service and the Department of Health and Human Services Food and Drug Administration to oversee the safety of food imported into the United States, focusing on the outbreak of *Cyclospora* associated with fresh raspberries imported into the United States from Central America, receiving testimony from Stephen M. Ostroff, Associate Director for Epidemiologic Science, and Barbara L. Herwaldt, Medical Officer, Division of Parasitic Diseases, both of the National Center for Infectious Diseases, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services; Stephanie A. Smith, Investigator, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, Committee on Governmental Affairs; and Jeffrey A. Foran, International Life Science Institute, Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 512, to amend chapter 47 of title 18, United States Code, relating to identity fraud, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 2143, to amend chapter 45 of title 28, United States Code, to authorize the Administrative Assistant to the Chief Justice to accept voluntary services, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

Also, committee began consideration of S. 1645, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit taking minors across State lines to avoid laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions, and the nomination of Kim McLean Wardlaw, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, but

did not complete action thereon, and will meet again on Thursday, July 16.

NOMINATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Beth Nolan, of New York, to be Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Legal Counsel, Department of Justice, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Moynihan and District of Columbia Delegate Norton, testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will next meet on Tuesday, July 14 at 12:30 p.m. for morning hour debate.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Friday, July 10, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, page 14988-15093

Measures Introduced: Six bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2285-2290. **Page 15012**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2286, to amend the National School Lunch Act and the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 to provide children with increased access to food and nutrition assistance, to simplify program operations and improve program management, to extend certain authorities contained in those Acts through fiscal year 2003. (S. Rept. No. 105-243)

S. 1695, to establish the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site in the State of Colorado, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105-244)

S. 1283, to award Congressional gold medals to Jean Brown Trickey, Carlotta Walls LaNier, Melba Patillo Beals, Terrence Roberts, Gloria Ray Karlmark, Thelma Mothershed Wair, Ernest Green, Elizabeth Eckford, and Jefferson Thomas, commonly referred collectively as the "Little Rock Nine" on the occasion of the 40th anniversary of the integration of the Central High School in Little Rock, Arkansas, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 105-245)

S. 1259, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for the United States Coast Guard, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 105-246)

S.J. Res. 47, disapproving the extension of the waiver authority contained in section 402(c) of the Trade Act of 1974 with respect to Vietnam, unfavorably. **Page 15012**

Measures Passed:

U.S. Commitments to Taiwan: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. Con. Res. 107, affirming United States commitments under the Taiwan Relations Act, and by a unanimous vote of 92 yeas (Vote No. 196), Senate agreed to the resolution, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed: **Page 14988**

Lott Amendment No. 3121, of a perfecting nature.

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Taiwan/Multilateral Economic Institutions: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 30, expressing the sense of Congress that the rules of multilateral economic institutions, including the International Monetary Fund and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, should be amended to allow membership for the Republic of China on Taiwan and other qualified economies, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 15091**

Grams (for Helms) Amendment No. 3122, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 15091**

Indonesia/East Timor: Senate agreed to S. Res. 237, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the situation in Indonesia and East Timor. **Page 15092**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Mary Beth West, of the District of Columbia, a Career Member of the Senior Executive Service, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Oceans, Fisheries, and Space.

William B. Traxler, Jr., of South Carolina, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general. **Page 15093**

Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nomination:

Mary Beth West, of the District of Columbia, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Oceans and Space, which was sent to the Senate on February 24, 1998. **Page 15093**

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Text of H.R. 6 as Previously Passed: Page 15037

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today.
(Total—196) Page 14991

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 2:37 p.m., until 12 noon, on Monday, July 13, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 15092.)

Committee Meetings

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Raymond W. Kelly, of New York, to be Commissioner of Customs, James E. Johnson, of New Jersey, to be Under Secretary for Enforcement, and Elizabeth Bresee, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary, all of the Department of the Treasury.

Also, committee ordered reported with a recommendation of disapproval, S.J. Res. 47, opposing the President's June 3 decision to renew the annual waiver of Jackson-Vanik amendment restrictions on United States interaction with Vietnam.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will next meet on Tuesday, July 14 at 12:30 p.m. for morning Hour debate.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

Monday, July 13, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 15094–15164

Measures Introduced: Four bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2292–2295. Page 15132

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Special Report on Further Revise Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for fiscal year 1999. (S. Rept. No. 105–247)

S. 1418, to promote the research, identification, assessment, exploration, and development of methane hydrate resources, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 105–248)

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Measures Passed:

Criminal History Records: Senate passed S. 2294, to facilitate the exchange of criminal history records for non-criminal justice purposes, to provide for the decentralized storage of criminal history records, and to amend the National Child Protection Act of 1993 to facilitate the fingerprint checks authorized by that Act. Page 15146

Crime Identification Technology Act: Senate passed S. 2022, to provide for the improvement of interstate criminal justice identification, information, communications, and forensics, after agreeing to a committee amendment, and the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Allard (for Hatch) Amendment No. 3126, to facilitate the exchange of criminal history records for noncriminal justice purposes, to provide for the decentralized storage of criminal history records, and to amend the National Child Protection Act of 1993 to facilitate the fingerprint checks authorized by that Act.

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Crime Victims With Disabilities Awareness Act: Senate passed S. 1976, to increase public awareness of the plight of victims of crime with developmental disabilities, to collect data to measure the magnitude of the problem, and to develop strategies to address the safety and justice needs of victims of crime with developmental disabilities, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Federal Property Rights: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to the consideration of S. 2271, to simplify and expedite access to the Federal courts for injured parties whose rights and privileges, secured by the United States Constitution, have been deprived by final actions of Federal agencies, or other government officials or entities acting under color of State law.

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Also, by 52 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. 197), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected a motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

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Agriculture Appropriations, 1999: Senate resumed consideration of S. 2159, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Pending:

Daschle Amendment No. 2729, to reform and structure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of

tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use. **Page 15125**

Motion to waive section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act with respect to consideration of Amendment No. 2729, listed above. **Page 15125**

A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for consideration of the pending motion on Tuesday, July 14, 1998, with a vote to occur thereon. **Page 15125**

Higher Education—Conferees: Senate insisted on its amendment to H.R. 6, to extend the authorization of programs under the Higher Education Act of 1965, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Jeffords, Coats, Gregg, Frist, DeWine, Enzi, Hutchinson, Collins, Warner, McConnell, Kennedy, Dodd, Harkin, Mikulski, Bingaman, Wellstone, Murray, and Reed. **Page 15146**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Christopher W.S. Ross, of California, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Career Minister, for the Rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Coordinator for Counterterrorism.

Karl J. Sandstrom, of Washington, to be a Member of the Federal Election Commission for a term expiring April 30, 2001.

3 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—197) **Page 15124**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon, and adjourned at 7:30 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, July 14, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 15161.)

Committee Meetings

INDIA AND PAKISTAN

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs held hearings to examine the developments in United States diplomatic exchanges with the Indian and Pakistani governments, focusing on non-proliferation issues, receiving testimony from Karl F.

Inderfurth, Assistant Secretary for South Asian Affairs, and Robert Einhorn, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Political-Military Affairs, both of the Department of State.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will next meet on Tuesday, July 14 at 12:30 p.m. for morning hour debate.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

Tuesday, July 14, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, page 15167–15242

Measures Introduced: Eleven bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2296–2306. **Page 15217**

Measures Passed:

Tropical Forest Conservation Act: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 2870, to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to facilitate protection of tropical forests through debt reduction with developing countries with tropical forests, and the bill was then passed, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 1758, Senate companion measure, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Roberts (for Helms) Amendment No. 3148, to make technical and clarifying corrections. **Page 15237**

Subsequently, S. 1758 was placed back on the Senate Calendar. **Page 15239**

Congressional Gold Medal: Senate passed H.R. 3156, to present a congressional gold medal to Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 15241**

Agriculture Appropriations, 1999: Senate resumed consideration of S. 2159, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year

ending September 30, 1999, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Page 15171**

Adopted:

Cochran Amendment No. 3128, to provide additional funding for the Agricultural Research Service, the Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service, and the Rural Community Advancement Program, to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Protection Act by eliminating the surcharge on the administrative fee for fiscal year 1999, and to restrict the Wetlands Reserve Program's new acreage enrollment in fiscal year 1999. **Page 15174**

Cochran/Bumpers Amendment No. 3129, to make a technical correction. **Page 15175**

Cochran/Bumpers Amendment No. 3130, to transfer funding for credit sales of acquired property to subsidize the cost of additional farm ownership loans. **Page 15175**

Bumpers Amendment No. 3131, to establish a personnel management demonstration project in the Department of Agriculture. **Page 15176**

Cochran (for D'Amato/Sarbanes) Amendment No. 3132, to extend for one year existing housing programs administered by the Rural Housing Service. **Page 15176**

Cochran (for Graham) Amendment No. 3133, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to conduct a review of methyl bromide alternatives research. **Page 15177**

Cochran (for Gramm/Hutchison) Amendment No. 3134, to express the sense of the Senate that the Secretary of Agriculture should take certain actions to provide timely assistance to Texas agricultural producers that are experiencing worsening drought conditions. **Page 15177**

Cochran (for Lugar) Amendment No. 3135, to amend the Wetlands Reserve Program by exempting thirty year easements from payment limitations, and to clarify the interpretation of "Maximum Extent Practicable" regarding the Wetlands Reserve Program enrollment goal. **Page 15178**

Cochran (for Lugar) Amendment No. 3136, to make technical corrections to the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998. **Page 15178**

Cochran (for Robb) Amendment No. 3137, to reform agricultural credit programs of the Department of Agriculture. **Page 15179**

Pending:

Daschle (for Harkin/Daschle) Modified Amendment No. 3127, to express the sense of the Senate that emergency action is necessary to respond to the economic hardships facing agricultural producers and their communities. **Pages 15173, 15180, 15209**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate took the following action:

By 43 yeas to 55 nays (Vote No. 198), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected a motion to waive the Congressional Budget Act with respect to consideration of Daschle Amendment No. 2729, to reform and structure

the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use. Subsequently, a point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act was sustained, and the amendment thus fell. **Page 15171**

A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for further consideration of Amendment No. 3127, listed above, on Wednesday, July 15, 1998, with a vote on a motion to table the amendment to occur thereon. **Page 15210**

Agriculture Export Relief: Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to S. 2282, to amend the Arms Export Control Act, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 15234**

Messages from the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report concerning the Comprehensive National Energy Strategy; referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. (PM-142). **Page 15214**

Transmitting the annual report on Federal Advisory Committees for fiscal year 1997; referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs. (PM-143). **Page 15214**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations: Bill Richardson, of New Mexico, to be Secretary of Energy. **Page 15242**

Messages From the President: **Page 15214**

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—199) **Pages 15172, 15209**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:05 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Wednesday, July 15, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 15242.)

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS: TRANSPORTATION/ TREASURY/POSTAL SERVICE

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

An original bill making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999; and

An original bill making appropriations for the Department of the Treasury, United States Postal Service, Executive Office of the President, and certain independent agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 2279, to authorize funds for fiscal years 1999 through 2002 for programs of the Federal Aviation Administration, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 268, to promote air safety and restore or preserve natural quiet in national parks by establishing minimum flight altitudes and prohibiting overflights below such minimum altitudes in any national park, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 1353, to provide assistance and slots with respect to air carrier service between high density airports and airports that do not receive sufficient air service, and to improve jet aircraft service to underserved markets, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

PUERTO RICO

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee resumed hearings on H.R. 856, to provide a process leading to full self-government for Puerto Rico, and S. 472, to provide for referenda in which the residents of Puerto Rico may express democratically their preferences regarding the political status of the territory, receiving testimony from Puerto Rico Attorney General Jose A. Fuentes-Agostini, Puerto Rico Speaker of the House of Representatives Edison Mislá Aldarondo, Aníbal Acevedo-Vilá and Jorge Adolfo de Castro Font, both of the Popular Democratic Party of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Fernando Martín, Puerto Rican Independence Party, Hermenegildo Ortiz Quinones, Accion Democratica Puertorriquena, Arturo J. Guzman, Institute for the Development, Equality and Advancement of Puerto Rico (I.D.E.A. of Puerto Rico, Inc.), and Marco Antonio Rigau, all of San Juan, Puerto Rico; Mayor William Miranda Marin, Caguas, Puerto Rico; Miriam J. Ramirez de Ferrer, Puerto Ricans in Civic Action, Mayaguez, Puerto Rico; Joaquín A. Marquez, Puerto Rican American Foundation, Arlington, Virginia; Jose Rivera, Republican National Hispanic Assembly, and Charles J. Cooper, Cooper, Carin & Rosenthal, both of Washington, D.C.; David Matta, National Puerto Rican Bar Association, Flushing, New York; and Diego Hernandez, former Admiral, United States Navy.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

WATER AND POWER

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power concluded hearings on the following bills:

S. 1515, to amend laws relating to the Garrison Diversion Unit, North Dakota of the Pick-Sloan Missouri River Basin Program, to increase authorization levels for State and Indian tribal, municipal, rural, and industrial water supplies, to meet current and future water quantity and quality needs of the Red River Valley, to deauthorize certain project features and irrigation service areas, and to enhance natural resources and fish and wildlife habitat, after receiving testimony from Senator Conrad; Representative Pomeroy; North Dakota Governor Edward T. Schafer, and North Dakota State Senator Joel Heitkamp, North Dakota State Representative John Dorso, and Jim Miller, Wildlife Society, all of Bismarck, North Dakota; Mayor Bruce W. Furness, Fargo, North Dakota; Jack Olin, North Dakota Water Users Association, Dickinson; Russell Mason, Three Affiliated Tribes, Newtown, North Dakota; Norman Haak, Garrison Diversion Conservancy District, Oakes, North Dakota; Daniel P. Beard, National Audubon Society, Washington, D.C.; and Patricia Storhoff, Nome, North Dakota;

S. 2111, to establish the conditions under which the Bonneville Power Administration and certain Federal agencies may enter into a memorandum of agreement concerning management of the Columbia/Snake River Basin, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to appoint an advisory committee to make recommendations regarding activities under the memorandum of understanding, after receiving testimony from Jack Robertson, Deputy Administrator, Bonneville Power Administration, Department of Energy; Oregon Governor John A. Kitzhaber, Salem; David J. Hayes, Counselor to the Secretary of the Interior; Glenn Vanselow, Pacific Northwest Waterways Association, Vancouver, Washington; Craig Smith, Northwest Food Processors Association, Jeff Curtis, Trout Unlimited, Robert G. Walton, Public Power Council, and Ted Strong, Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission, on behalf of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, all of Portland, Oregon; and

S. 2117, authorizing grants for the planning and construction of the Perkins County Rural Water System in South Dakota, after receiving testimony from Terry Haggart, Perkins County Rural Water System, Inc., Perkins County, South Dakota; and Brad Wheeler, Wheeler Manufacturing, South Dakota;

Testimony was also received on S. 1515 and S. 2117 (both listed above) from Eluid L. Martinez, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior.

AUTHORIZATION—ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure concluded hearings on S. 1647, authorizing funds for fiscal years 1999 through 2002 for the Economic Development Administration, after receiving testimony from William M. Daley, Secretary, and Phillip A. Singerman, Assistant Secretary for Economic Development, both of the Department of Commerce; Robert W. Burchell, Center for Urban Policy Research/Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey; R. Scott Fosler, National Academy of Public Administration, Washington, D.C.; and Pulaski County Judge Floyd G. Villines, former Mayor of Little Rock, Arkansas, and Eric P. Thompson, Lower Savannah Council of Governments and the National Association of Development Organizations, Aiken, South Carolina, both on behalf of the Coalition for Economic Development.

JAPAN ECONOMIC RECOVERY

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings to examine Japan's role in the international trading system and the prospects for market liberalization and economic reform, focusing on United States-Japan trade and economic relations and the state of Japan's economy, receiving testimony from Mitsuhiro Fukao, Keio University, Yasuo Kanzaki, Nikko Research Center, Ltd., Akio Mikuni, Mikuni & Co., Ltd., and Robert Alan Feldman, Morgan Stanley Dean Witter (Japan), all of Tokyo, Japan; Robert D. Hormats, Goldman Sachs (International), and Roger M. Kubarych, Kaufman & Kubarych Advisors, both of New York, New York; and L. William Seidman, CNBC Business News, W. Henson Moore, American Forest and Paper Association, and Alan F. Holmer, Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America, all of Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

KOREAN PENINSULA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs concluded hearings to examine United States policy toward North Korea, focusing on the efforts of the Korean Peninsula Energy Development Organization (KEDO) and the Agreed Nuclear Framework to increase stability in Korea, after receiving testimony from Rust M. Deming, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs; Desaix Anderson, Korean Peninsula Energy Development Organization (KEDO), New York, New York; and Robert Gallucci, Georgetown University School of Foreign Service, Washington, D.C.

NOMINATION

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of L. Britt Snider, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Central Intelligence Agency.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 21 public bills, H.R. 4195–4215, and 1 private bill, H.R. 4216, were introduced. **Page 15327**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Filed on June 25, H.R. 1756, to amend chapter 53 of title 31, United States Code, to require the development and implementation by the Secretary of the Treasury of a national money laundering and related financial crimes strategy to combat money laundering and related financial crimes, amended (H. Rept. 105–608, Part 1);

Filed on July 8, H.R. 4193, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–609);

Filed on July 8, H.R. 4194, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–610);

Filed on July 8, H.R. 4005, to amend title 31 of the United States Code to improve methods for preventing financial crimes, amended (H. Rept. 105–611, Part 1);

H.R. 872, to establish rules governing product liability actions against raw materials and bulk component suppliers to medical device manufacturers, amended (H. Rept. 105–549, Part 2);

H.R. 1728, to provide for the development of a plan and a management review of the National Park System and to reform the process by which areas are considered for addition to the National Park System, amended (H. Rept. 105–612);

H.R. 3460, to approve a governing international fishery agreement between the United States and the Republic of Latvia, amended (H. Rept. 105–613);

H.R. 2379, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 251 North Main Street in Winston Salem, North Carolina, as the "Hiram H. Ward Federal Building and United States Courthouse" (H. Rept. 105–614);

H.R. 2787, to designate the United States courthouse located in New Haven, Connecticut, as the "Richard C. Lee United States Courthouse," amended (H. Rept. 105–615);

H.R. 3223, to designate the Federal building located at 300 East 8th Street in Austin, Texas, as the "J.J. 'Jake' Pickle Federal Building". (H. Rept. 105–616);

H.R. 3696, to designate the Federal Courthouse located at 316 North 26th Street in Billings, Montana, as the "James F. Battin Federal Courthouse". (H. Rept. 105–617);

H.R. 3982, to designate the Federal building located at 310 New Bern Avenue in Raleigh, North Carolina, as

the "Terry Sanford Federal Building," amended (H. Rept. 105-618);

S. 1800, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 85 Marconi Boulevard in Columbus, Ohio, as the "Joseph P. Kinneary United States Courthouse" (H. Rept. 105-619);

H.R. 2544, to improve the ability of Federal agencies to license federally owned inventions, amended (H. Rept. 105-620, Part 1);

H.R. 3267, to direct the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to conduct a feasibility study and construct a project to reclaim the Salton Sea (H. Rept. 105-621, Part 1);

H. Res. 498, providing for consideration of H.R. 4104, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105-622);

H. Res. 499, providing for consideration of H.R. 3682, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit taking minors across State lines to avoid laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions (H. Rept. 105-623);

H. Res. 500, providing for the consideration of H.R. 3267, to direct the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to conduct a feasibility study and construct a project to reclaim the Salton Sea (H. Rept. 105-624); and

H.R. 3249, to provide for the rectification of certain retirement coverage errors affecting Federal employees, amendment (H. Rept. 105-625, Part 1). **Page 15327**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Johnson of Connecticut to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 15243**

Recess: The House recessed at 1:10 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page 15249**

Address by the President of Romania: Agreed by unanimous consent that it be in order at any time on Wednesday, July 15, 1998, for the Speaker to declare a recess, subject to the call of the Chair, for the purpose of receiving in Joint Meeting His Excellency Emil Constantinescu, President of Romania. **Page 15250**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

National Science Foundation Authorization Act: Concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 1273, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for the National Science Foundation—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 15251**

Technology Transfer Commercialization Act: H.R. 2544, amended, to improve the ability of Federal agencies to license federally owned inventions; **Page 15258**

Homeowners Protection Act: S. 318, amended, to require automatic cancellation and notice of cancellation rights with respect to private mortgage insurance which is required as condition for entering into a residential mortgage transaction and to abolish the Thrift Depositor Protection Oversight Board; **Page 15262**

Enforcement of Child Custody and Visitation Orders: H.R. 4164, to amend title 28, United States Code, with respect to the enforcement of child custody and visitation orders; **Page 15272**

Hiram H. Ward Federal Building and Courthouse: H.R. 2379, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 251 North Main Street in Winston Salem, North Carolina, as the "Hiram H. Ward Federal Building and United States Courthouse"; **Page 15274**

Designating the J.J. "Jake" Pickle Federal Building: H.R. 3223, to designate the Federal building located at 300 East 8th Street in Austin, Texas, as the "J.J. 'Jake' Pickle Federal Building"; **Page 15276**

Designating the Dick Cheney Federal Building: H.R. 3453, to designate the Federal Building and Post Office located at 100 East B Street, Casper, Wyoming, as the "Dick Cheney Federal Building"; and **Page 15280**

Arms Export Control Act: S. 2282, amended, to amend the Arms Export Control Act. **Page 15281**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Nethercutt to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolution on July 14. **Page 15294**

Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

National Energy Strategy: Message wherein he transmitted his National Energy Strategy—referred to the Committee on Commerce; and **Page 15286**

Federal Advisory Committees: Message wherein he transmitted the Twenty-sixth Annual Report on Federal Advisory Committees, covering fiscal year 1997—referred to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight. **Page 15286**

Bipartisan Campaign Integrity Act: The House continued consideration of amendments to H.R. 2183, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to reform the financing of campaigns for elections for Federal office. **Page 15287**

Agreed to Fossella amendment to the Shays amendment in the nature of a substitute that prohibits noncitizens from making contributions to Federal elections (agreed to by a recorded vote of 282 ayes to 126 noes, Roll No. 276). **Page 15305**

Rejected the Doolittle amendment, as modified, to the Shays amendment in the nature of a substitute, that specifies that express advocacy shall not apply to commu-

nications in printed form or posted on the Internet that provide information on the voting record or positions on issues taken by Federal office holders or candidate for Federal office (rejected by a recorded vote of 201 ayes to 219 noes, Roll No. 275. **Page 15292**

Pending:

Wicker amendment to the Shays amendment in the nature of a substitute that prohibits the use of White House meals or accommodations for political fundraising; **Page 15313**

Stearns amendment to the Shays amendment in the nature of a substitute that bans campaign contributions that prohibits noncitizens from making contributions to candidates for Federal, state, or local election; and **Page 15318**

Pickering amendment to the Shays amendment in the nature of a substitute that prohibits the use of willful blindness as defense against a charge of violating the foreign contribution ban. **Page 15319**

Earlier, agreed to the Thomas motion to limit debate to 40 minutes on each of the following amendments to the Shays amendment: Representatives Fossella, Wicker, Stearns, Pickering, and DeLay. **Page 15319**

H. Res. 442 and H. Res. 458 the rules that are providing for consideration of the bill were agreed to on May 21 and June 18 respectively.

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page 15243.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 15331.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 15304 and 15311. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 11:07 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education appropriations for fiscal year 1999.

ADMINISTRATION'S PROPOSED CONTRACTING REGULATIONS

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on "The Administration's Proposed Contracting Regulations: 'Good Government' or 'Blacklisting'?" Testimony was heard from Edward DeSeve, Controller and Acting Deputy Director, Management, OMB; Cornelia Blanchette, Associate Director, Education and Employment Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held a hearing on H.R. 4007 and S. 1379, Nazi War Crimes Disclosure Act. Testimony was heard from Senator DeWine; William Z. Slany, Historian, Department of State; Lewis J. Bellardo, Deputy Archivist, National Archives and Records Administration; former Representative Elizabeth Holtzman of New York; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—FEDERAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held an oversight hearing on the Federal Advisory Committee Act. Testimony was heard from L. Nye Stevens, Director, Federal Management and Workforce Issues, GAO; G. Martin Wagner, Associate Administrator, Governmentwide Policy, GSA; Ruth L. Kirschstein, Deputy Director, NIH, Department of Health and Human Services; Jim Solit, Committee Management Officer, Department of Energy; Bruce Alberts, President, National Academy of Sciences; and public witnesses.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY PROTECTION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution held a hearing on H.R. 4019, Religious Liberty Protection Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LETHAL DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution held a hearing on H.R. 4006, Lethal Drug Abuse Prevention Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from John A. Kitzhaber, Governor, State of Oregon; and public witnesses.

CHILD CUSTODY PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing for consideration in the House of H.R. 3682, Child Custody Protection Act, with 2 hours of debate. The rule provides that the Judiciary Committee amendment now printed in the bill will be considered as adopted. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Canady, Ros-Lehtinen, Watt of North Carolina and Jackson Lee of Texas.

SONNY BONO MEMORIAL SALTON SEA RECLAMATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 3267, Sonny Bono Memorial Salton Sea Reclamation Act. The rule waives all points of order against consideration in the House. The rule provides, in lieu of the Resources Committee amendment, that an amendment in the nature of

a substitute printed in the report of the Committee on Rules shall be considered as adopted. The rule provides for an amendment to be offered by Representative Miller of California or his designee printed in the Congressional Record, which shall be considered as read, and shall be debatable for 1 hour equally divided and controlled by the proponent and the opponent. Finally, the rule provides for one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Radanovich, Lewis of California and Miller of California.

TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE, GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 4104, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. The rule waives points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with section 306 of the Congressional Budget Act (prohibiting consideration of legislation within the Budget Committee's jurisdiction, unless reported by the Budget Committee). The rule waives points of order against section 628 for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized or legislative provisions in a general appropriation bill).

The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have preprinted their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows for the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

Joint Meetings

TEXAS LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE DISPOSAL COMPACT

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 629, to grant the consent of the Congress to the Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Ten bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2307–2316. **Page 15572**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2307, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. (S. Rept. No. 105–249)

S. 2176, to amend sections 3345 through 3349 of title 5, United States Code (commonly referred to as the "Vacancies Act") to clarify statutory requirements relating to vacancies in and appointments to certain Federal offices, and for other purposes, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 105–250)

S. 2312, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and for other purposes. (S. Rept. No. 105–251) **Page 15572**

Measures Passed:

Congressional Gold Medal: Senate passed S. 1283, to award Congressional gold medals to Jean Brown Trickey, Carlotta Walls LaNier, Melba Patillo Beals, Terrence Roberts, Gloria Ray Karlmark, Thelma Mothershed Wair, Ernest Green, Elizabeth Eckford, and Jefferson Thomas, commonly referred collectively as the "Little Rock Nine" on the occasion of the 40th anniversary of the integration of the Central High School in Little Rock, Arkansas, after agreeing to a committee amendment. **Page 15597**

Agriculture Appropriations, 1999: Senate resumed consideration of S. 2159, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Page 15490**

Adopted:

Cochran (for Brownback/Roberts) Amendment No. 3155, to amend the Arms Export Control Act to provide waiver authority on certain sanctions applicable to India or Pakistan. **Page 15513**

Dodd Amendment No. 3158, to exempt agricultural products, medicine, and medical equipment from U.S. economic sanctions. (By 38 yeas to 60 nays (Vote No. 203), Senate earlier failed to table the amendment.) **Page 15544**

Roberts Modified Amendment No. 3159 (to Amendment No. 3158), of a perfecting nature. **Page 15545**

Torricelli Amendment No. 3160 (to Amendment No. 3158), to exclude the application of Amendment No.

3158 to any country that repeatedly provided support for acts of terrorism. (By 30 yeas to 67 nays (Vote No. 204), Senate earlier failed to table the amendment.) **Page 15558**

Kerrey/Burns Amendment No. 3161, to ensure the continued viability of livestock producers and the livestock industry in the United States. (By 49 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 205), Senate earlier failed to table the amendment.) **Page 15559**

Graham Amendment No. 3162, to provide assistance to agricultural producers for losses resulting from drought or fire. **Page 15563**

Cochran (for Coverdell) Amendment No. 3163, to make food safety competitive research program funds available for research on E.coli:0157H7. **Page 15565**

Cochran (for DeWine/Hutchinson) Amendment No. 3164, to require the Commissioner of Food and Drugs to conduct assessments and take other actions relating to the transition from use of chlorofluorocarbons in metered-dose inhalers. **Page 15565**

Cochran (for Harkin/Grassley) Amendment No. 3165, to provide for the construction of a Federal animal bio-safety level-3 containment center. **Page 15566**

Cochran Amendment No. 3166, to provide additional funds for conservation operations. **Page 15566**

Cochran (for Kempthorne/Baucus) Amendment No. 3167, to provide funding for a secondary agriculture education program. **Page 15566**

Cochran (for Bryan) Amendment No. 3168, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to submit to Congress a report concerning the market access program. **Page 15566**

Cochran (for Graham/Mack) Amendment No. 3169, to provide additional funding for fruit fly exclusion and detection. **Page 15566**

Cochran (for Johnson/Burns) Amendment No. 3170, to require that beef or lamb be labeled as United States beef or lamb or imported beef or lamb. **Page 15565**

Rejected:

Daschle Amendment No. 3146, to provide a safety net for farmers and consumers regarding marketing assistance loans. (By 56 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 200), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Page 15493**

Lugar Amendment No. 3156, to provide a framework for consideration by the legislative and executive branches of unilateral economic sanctions in order to ensure coordination of United States policy with respect to trade, security, and human rights. (By 53 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 201), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages 15515, 15542**

Bryan Amendment No. 3157, to eliminate funding for the market access program for fiscal year 1999. (By 70 yeas to 29 nays (Vote No. 202), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Page 15534**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill and amendments to be proposed thereto, on Thursday, July 16, 1998.

(During consideration of this measure on Tuesday, July 14, the Senate also took the following action):

Amendments adopted:

By a unanimous vote of 99 yeas (Vote No. 199), Modified Daschle (for Harkin/Daschle) Amendment No. 3127, to express the sense of the Senate that emergency action is necessary to respond to the economic hardships facing agricultural producers and their communities.

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Bumpers/Cochran Amendment No. 3142, to clarify a budget request submission regarding spending based on assumed revenues of unauthorized user fees. **Page 15204**

Bumpers (for Daschle) Amendment No. 3143, to establish a pilot program to permit certain owners and operators to hay and graze on land that is subject to conservation reserve contracts. **Page 15205**

Bumpers (for Durbin) Amendment No. 3144, to prohibit the previous shipment of shell eggs under the voluntary grading program of the Department of Agriculture and to require the Secretary of Agriculture to submit a report on egg safety and repackaging. **Page 15206**

Bumpers (for Byrd) Amendment No. 3145, to provide funding for completion of construction of the Alderson Plant Materials Center in Alderson, West Virginia. **Page 15206**

Bumpers (for Lieberman/Dodd) Amendment No. 3146, to clarify the eligibility of State agricultural experiment stations for certain agricultural research programs. **Page 15210**

Homeowners Protection Act: Senate concurred in the amendments of the House to S. 318, to require automatic cancellation and notice of cancellation rights with respect to private mortgage insurance which is required as condition for entering into a residential mortgage transaction, to abolish the Thrift Depositor Protection Oversight Board, with an amendment, as follows: **Page 15600**

DeWine (for Santorum/Specter) Amendment No. 3171, to establish that certain provisions shall not apply to a nonprofit institution whose primary function is to provide health care educational services that files for bankruptcy. **Page 15601**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Charles R. Rawls, of North Carolina, to be General Counsel of the Department of Agriculture.

Robert M. Walker, of Tennessee, to be Deputy Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

George McDade Staples, of Kentucky, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Rwanda.

A routine list in the Foreign Service. **Page 15601**

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Record Votes: Six record votes were taken today. (Total—205) **Pages 15513, 15543, 15557, 15563**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 10:48 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Thursday, July 16, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 15601.)

Committee Meetings

ATM SURCHARGING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded oversight hearings to examine a Federal Government study on the status of automated teller machine deployment and surcharge fees assessed by banks and thrift institutions, after receiving testimony from Susan S. Westin, Associate Director, Financial Institutions and Markets Issues, General Government Division, General Accounting Office; Jan Paul Acton, Assistant Director, Natural Resources and Commerce Division, Congressional Budget Office; Connecticut Attorney General Richard Blumenthal, Hartford; Edmund Mierzwinski, U.S. Public Interest Research Group, Washington, D.C.; Wayne A. Cottle, Dean Co-operative Bank, Franklin, Massachusetts, on behalf of the Community Bank League of New England; Raymond Curtin, Empire Federal Credit Union, Syracuse, New York, on behalf of the National Association of Federal Credit Unions; Linda Echard, IBAA Bancard, Arlington, Virginia, on behalf of the Independent Bankers Association of America; Richard E. Bolton, Jr., Charter Bank, Waltham, Massachusetts, on behalf of the American Bankers Association and the Massachusetts Bankers Association; and John Ward, First American Bank, Elk Grove, Illinois, on behalf of the Consumer Bankers Association.

ELECTRONIC COMMERCE

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings on S. 2107, to enhance electronic commerce by promoting the reliability and integrity of commercial transactions through establishing authentication standards for electronic communications, after receiving testimony from Representative Eshoo; Andrew J. Pincus, General Counsel, Department of Commerce; Scott Cooper, Hewlett-Packard Company, Washington, D.C.; Kirk LeCompte, PenOp, Inc., New York, New York; and Daniel Greenwood, Commonwealth of Massachusetts Information Technology Division, Boston.

PUERTO RICO

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee continued hearings on H.R. 856, to provide a process lead-

ing to full self-government for Puerto Rico, and S. 472, to provide for referenda in which the residents of Puerto Rico may express democratically their preferences regarding the political status of the territory, receiving testimony from Senators D'Amato and Lieberman; Representatives Velázquez, Serrano, and Gutierrez; Puerto Rico Resident Commissioner Carlos A. Romero-Barcelo; and Jeffrey L. Farrow, Co-Chair, The President's Interagency Group on Puerto Rico.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATION

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Nikki Rush Tinsley, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Environmental Protection Agency, after the nominee testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

U.S. BALTIC POLICY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on European Affairs concluded hearings to examine United States policy towards the Republics of Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania, focusing on developments in these countries seven years after they regained their independence pending membership in the European Union and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, after receiving testimony from Marc Grossman, Assistant Secretary of State for European and Canadian Affairs; Richard J. Krickus, Mary Washington College, Fredericksburg, Virginia; Andrejs Plakans, Iowa State University, Ames; and Toivo Raun, Indiana University, Bloomington.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 389, to improve congressional deliberation on proposed Federal private sector mandates, with amendments;

S. 2228, to amend the Federal Advisory Committee Act to modify termination and reauthorization requirements or advisory committees;

S. 314, to require that the Federal Government procure from the private sector the goods and services necessary for the operations and management of certain Government agencies, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1397, authorizing funds for fiscal years 1999 through 2004 to establish a commission to assist in commemoration of the centennial of powered flight and the achievements of the Wright brothers, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nomination of Jacob J. Lew, of New York, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee held oversight hearings on activities of the Department of Justice, receiving testimony from Janet Reno, Attorney General, and Eric

H. Holder, Jr., Deputy Attorney General, both of the Department of Justice.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

HOME HEALTH CARE

Committee on Small Business: Committee held hearings to examine how the Health Care Financing Administration's interim payment system and surety bond regulations are affecting small home health care agencies, receiving testimony from Senators Grassley and Baucus; Jere W. Glover, Chief Counsel for Advocacy, Small Business Administration; Carole Burkemper, Great Rivers Home Care, Inc., St. Peters, Missouri; Delia Young, Delia Young & Associates, Kansas City, Missouri; Marty C. Hoelscher, Superior Home Care, Inc., Salt Lake City, Utah; Lynn Hardy, Duplin Home Care and Hospice, Kenansville, North Carolina; Bonnie Matthews, South Shore Health System, Braintree, Massachusetts, on behalf of the South Shore Visiting Nurse Association; and Bob Reynolds, Franey, Parr & Associates, Inc., Lanham, Maryland, on behalf of the National Association of Surety Bond Producers.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

H.R. 700, to remove the restriction on the distribution of certain revenues from the Mineral Springs parcel to certain members of the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 109, to provide Federal housing assistance to Native Hawaiians, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

INDIAN TRIBAL CONFLICT RESOLUTION

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on S. 2097, to encourage and facilitate the resolution of conflicts involving Indian tribes, after receiving testimony from Kevin Gover, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs; Charles R. Barnes, Acting Director, Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service; William C. Canby, Jr., United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals; Renny Fagan, Colorado Department of Revenue, Denver; R. Timothy Columbus, Collier, Shannon, Rill and Scott, on behalf of the National Association of Convenience Stores and the Society of Independent Gasoline Marketers of America, Phyllis C. Borzi, George Washington University Medical Center, and W. Ron Allen, National Congress of American Indians, all of Washington, D.C.; Billy Frank, Jr., Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission, Olympia, Washington; Apesanahkwat, Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin, Keshena; and Philip S. Deloria, American Indian Law Center, Inc., Albuquerque, New Mexico.

TECHNOLOGY TRANSFERS TO CHINA

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held hearings to examine the safeguards and monitoring process established to ensure that no prohibited technology transfers occur before, during, or after launches of United States commercial satellites on Chinese boosters, receiving testimony from David Tarbell, Director, Defense Technology Security Administration, Department of Defense.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

SOCIAL SECURITY RETIREMENT AGE

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded hearings to examine how an increase in the retirement age will affect the long-term solvency of the Social Security system and the United States economy, the labor market for older workers, and the Disability Insurance and Supplemental Security Income programs, receiving testimony from Barbara D. Bovbjerg, Associate Director, Income Security Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; David A. Smith, AFL-CIO Public Policy Department, Gary Burtless, Brookings Institution, Paul R. Huard, National Association of Manufacturers, and Carolyn J. Lukensmeyer, Americans Discuss Social Security, all of Washington, D.C.; and Donna L. Wagner, Center for Productive Aging/Towson University, Towson, Maryland.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 18 public bills, H.R. 4217–4234, and 1 resolution, H. Res. 502, were introduced. **Page 15446**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 3980, to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend the authority for the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to treat illnesses of Persian Gulf War veterans, to provide authority to treat illnesses of veterans which may be attributable to future combat service, and to revise the process for determining priorities for research relative to the health consequences of service in the Persian Gulf War, amended (H. Rept. 105–626);

H.R. 4110, to provide a cost-of-living adjustment in rates of compensation paid to veterans with service-connected disabilities, to make various improvements in education, housing, and cemetery programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs (H. Rept. 105–627); and

H. Res. 501, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4194) making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–628). **Page 15446**

Recess: The House recessed at 9:07 a.m. and reconvened at 11:15 a.m. **Page 15349**

Joint Meeting To Receive the President of Romania: The House and Senate met in a joint meeting to receive an address by His Excellency Emil Constantinescu, President of Romania. It was made in order that the proceedings during the recess be printed in the Record. Representatives Arme, Cox of California, Gilman, Bereuter, Solomon, Dunn, and Fox of Pennsylvania and Senators Mack, Coats, Lugar, Smith of Oregon, Daschle, and Biden were appointed as members of the committee to escort the President of Romania into the House Chamber by the Speaker and President pro tempore of the Senate, respectively. **Page 15349**

Tropical Forest Conservation Act: The House agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 2870, to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to facilitate protection of tropical forests through debt reduction with developing countries with tropical forests—clearing the measure for the President. **Page 15357**

Child Custody Protection Act: The House passed H.R. 3682, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit taking minors across State lines to avoid laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions, by a recorded vote of 276 yeas to 150 noes, Roll No. 280. **Page 15372**

Rejected the Scott motion to recommit the bill back to the committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report it back forthwith with an amendment in the nature of a substitute that makes it illegal to use force or coerce a minor across State lines to obtain an abortion by a yeas and nay vote of 158 yeas to 269 noes, Roll No. 279. **Page 15389**

H. Res. 499, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a yeas and nay vote of 247 yeas to 173 noes, Roll No. 278. Earlier, agreed to order the previous question by a yeas and nay vote of 252 yeas to 174 noes, Roll No. 277. **Page 15361**

Sonny Bono Memorial Salton Sea Reclamation Act: The House passed H.R. 3267, to direct the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to conduct a feasibility study and construct a project to reclaim the Salton Sea, by a yeas and nay vote of 221 yeas to 200 noes, Roll No. 282. **Page 15398**

Agreed by unanimous consent to the Boehlert amendment that specifies that funding will not be derived from the land and water conservation fund. **Pages 15407, 15410**

Rejected the Miller of California amendment in the nature of a substitute that authorizes a study of alternatives for restoring the Salton Sea by a yeas and nay vote of 202 yeas to 218 noes, Roll No. 281. **Page 15407**

H. Res. 500, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a voice vote. Pursuant to

the rule the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in H. Rept. 105-624 was considered as adopted. **Page 15392**

Treasury, Postal Service Appropriations Act: The House completed general debate on H.R. 4104, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. Consideration will resume on July 16. **Page 15425**

H. Res. 498, the rule that is providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to earlier by a recorded vote of 218 yeas to 201 noes with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 284. Earlier, agreed to order the previous question by a yeas and nay vote of 231 yeas to 185 noes, Roll No. 283. **Page 15417**

Steve Schiff Auditorium: The House completed debate on H.R. 3731, to designate the auditorium located within the Sandia Technology Transfer Center in Albuquerque, New Mexico, as the "Steve Schiff Auditorium". Postponed the vote on final passage until July 16. **Page 15434**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page 15352.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 15448.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Five yeas and nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 15370, 15371, 15391, 15415, 15416, 15424, and 15425. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:50 p.m.

Committee Meetings

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary appropriations for fiscal year 1999.

FOREIGN OPERATIONS, EXPORT FINANCING AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs approved for full committee action the Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Relations appropriations for fiscal year 1999.

HOMEOWNERS' INSURANCE AVAILABILITY ACT

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Ordered reported amended H.R. 219, Homeowners' Insurance Availability Act of 1997.

ELECTRONIC COMMERCE

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing on Electronic Commerce: The Energy Industry in the Electronic Age. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

NBA PIONEERS—PENSION FAIRNESS

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations held a hearing on Pension Fairness for NBA Pioneers. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

WASHINGTON CONVENTION CENTER AUTHORITY

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on the District of Columbia held a hearing on Washington Convention Center Authority. Testimony was heard from Andrew Brimmer, Chairman, District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority; the following officials of the District of Columbia: Marion Barry, Mayor; and Linda Cropp, Chairman, City Council; Gloria Jarmon, Director, Health, Education, and Human Services Accounting and Financial Management Issues, GAO; Rick Hendricks, Director, Project Development, National Capital Division, GSA; and Terry Golden, Chairman, Washington Convention Center Authority.

KYOTO PROTOCOL

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs continued hearings on "The Kyoto-Protocol: Is the Clinton-Gore Administration Selling Out Americans?" (Part V). Testimony was heard from John C. Horsley, Associate Deputy Secretary and Director, Office of Intermodalism, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

AFRICA—COMBATING INTERNATIONAL CRIME

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Africa held a hearing on Combating International Crime in Africa. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Tom Kneir, Deputy Assistant Director, Criminal Investigative Division, FBI; and Michael Horn, Chief, Foreign Operations, DEA; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE; OVERSIGHT—ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT

Committee on Resources: Ordered reported amended H.R. 4111, to provide for outlet modifications to Folsom Dam, a study for reconstruction of the Northfork American River Cofferdam, and to transfer to the State of California all right, title, and interest in and to the Auburn Dam.

The Committee also held an oversight hearing on the Endangered Species Act. Testimony was heard from Michael Anable, Deputy State Land Commissioner, Land

Department, State of Arizona; Renne Lohoefer, Assistant Regional Director, Region 2, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; Peter Coppelman, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice; Eleanor S. Towns, Regional Forester, USDA; and public witnesses.

VA-HUD-INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 4194, making appropriations for the Department of Veterans and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998. The rule waives section 306 (prohibiting consideration of legislation within the Budget Committee's jurisdiction, unless reported by the Budget Committee) of the Congressional Budget Act against consideration of the bill.

The rule provides that the amendment printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying the resolution shall be considered as adopted. The rule waives clause 6 (prohibiting reappropriations in an appropriation bill) of rule XXI against provisions in the bill and clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized and legislative provisions in an appropriations bill) against provisions in the bill as amended, except as otherwise specified in the rule.

The rule makes in order the amendment printed in the Congressional Record and numbered 12, which may be offered only by Representative Leach or a designee, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for 40 minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment numbered 12.

The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have preprinted their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows for the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce votes to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Lewis of California, Tiahrt, Leach, Lazio of New York, Kelly, Stokes, Obey, Kennedy of Massachusetts, Engel and Gutierrez.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Heard testimony from Representatives Regula, Johnson of Connecticut, Stearns, Greenwood, Yates and Gutierrez, but action was deferred on H.R. 4193, making appropriations for the Department of the

Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998.

OVERSIGHT—SCIENCE OF RISK ASSESSMENT

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held an oversight hearing on the Science of Risk Assessment: Implications for Federal Regulation. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

SMALL BUSINESSES—YEAR 2000 COMPUTER PROBLEM

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing on the Impact of the Year 2000 (Y2K) Computer Problem on Small Businesses. Testimony was heard from Fred Hochberg, Deputy Administrator, SBA; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—COAST GUARD MARINE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND COMPLIANCE PROGRAM

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held an oversight hearing on the U.S. Coast Guard Marine Environmental Protection and Compliance Programs. Testimony was heard from Capt. Thomas H. Gilmour, USCG, Director, Field Activities, Office of Marine Safety and Environmental Protection, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

U.S.-JAPAN TRADE RELATIONS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade held a hearing on United States-Japan Trade Relations. Testimony was heard from Representatives Levin, Bereuter and Graham; and public witnesses.

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Eight bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2317–2324. **Page 15736**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 1085, to revise, codify, and enact without substantive change certain general and permanent laws, related to patriotic and national observances, ceremonies, and organizations, as title 36, United States Code, "Patriotic and National Observances, Ceremonies, and Organizations".

S. Res. 207, commemorating the 20th anniversary of the founding of the Vietnam Veterans of America.

S. 1134, granting the consent and approval of Congress to an interstate forest fire protection compact.

S. 1645, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit taking minors across State lines to avoid laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2192, to make certain technical corrections to the Trademark Act of 1946.

S. 2193, to implement the provisions of the Trademark Law Treaty.

S.J. Res. 35, granting the consent of Congress to the Pacific Northwest Emergency Management Arrangement.

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Measures Passed:

Agriculture Appropriations, 1999: By 97 yeas to 2 nays (Vote No. 209), Senate passed H.R. 4101, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 2159, Senate companion measure, after taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 15619, 15624, 15633, 15637, 15648**

Adopted:

By 71 yeas to 28 nays (Vote No. 206), Grassley Amendment No. 3172, to express the sense of the Senate concerning appropriate actions to be taken to alleviate the economic effect of low commodity prices. **Pages 15619, 15625**

Conrad/Dorgan Amendment No. 3173, to provide funds for and improve the reserve inventories program.

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By 65 yeas to 34 nays (Vote No. 207), Harkin Amendment No. 3175, to provide funding for programs of the Food Safety Initiative. **Page 15648**

Robb Amendment No. 3177, to waive the statute of limitations barring certain discrimination complaints against the Department of Agriculture. **Page 15658**

Cochran (for Brownback) Amendment No. 3178, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to improve the Census of Agriculture by eliminating redundant questions and removing penalties. **Page 15661**

Cochran (for Levin) Amendment No. 3179, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to use certain funds to carry out a tree assistance program and to clarify the eligibility of certain producers for assistance under the program. **Page 15661**

Cochran (for Kerrey/Roberts) Amendment No. 3180, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to assist the Commission on 21st Century Production Agriculture to conduct a study to guide the development of future Federal agricultural policies. **Page 15661**

Cochran (for Graham) Amendment No. 3181, to require country of origin labeling of perishable agricultural commodities imported into the United States and to establish penalties for violations of the labeling requirements. **Page 15661**

Cochran (for Bumpers) Amendment No. 3182, to express the sense of the Senate that unauthorized user fees submitted in the President's budget have resulted in shortfalls for specified programs. **Page 15661**

Cochran (for Feingold/Jeffords) Amendment No. 3183, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to establish and maintain within the Department of Agriculture an Office of the Small Farms Advocate. **Page 15661**

Cochran (for Dorgan) Amendment No. 3184, to limit the penalty for an inadvertent violation of a contract under the Agricultural Market Transition Act. **Page 15661**

Cochran (for Craig/Lugar) Amendment No. 3185, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 1992 to take into account newly developed renewable energy-based fuels and to equalize alternative fuel vehicle acquisition incentives to increase the flexibility of controlled fleet owners and operators. **Page 15661**

Cochran (for Bumpers) Amendment No. 3186, regarding rural housing service awards. **Page 15661**

Cochran (for Hatch) Amendment No. 3187, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to submit a plan to Congress for the lifting of the ban on interstate distribution of state inspected meat. **Page 15661**

Cochran (for Coverdell/Cleland) Amendment No. 3188, to modify the prohibition on loan guarantees to borrowers that have received debt forgiveness. **Page 15667**

Cochran (for Coverdell/Cleland) Amendment No. 3189, to modify the factors that are used to determine whether applicants are eligible for farm credit loans. **Page 15667**

Cochran (for Coverdell/Cleland) Amendment No. 3190, to prohibit the Secretary of Agriculture from denying an emergency loan to a borrower by reason of the fact that the borrower lacks a particular amount of collateral for the loan if it is reasonably certain that the borrower will be able to repay the loan. **Page 15667**

Cochran (for Harkin) Amendment No. 3191, to include the bonus value of commodities in meeting a minimum commodity assistance requirement and to increase the amount appropriated for the WIC program. **Page 15667**

Dodd Amendment No. 3176, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to ensure timely notification of recalls of certain drugs and devices. **Pages 15657, 15660, 15668, 15681**

Dodd Modified Amendment No. 3192 (to Amendment No. 3176), of a perfecting nature. **Pages 15668, 15680**

Cochran (for Baucus/Leahy/Sessions) Amendment No. 3194, to increase funding for certain programs of the Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service. **Page 15681**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate took the following action:

By 49 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 208), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected a motion to waive the

Congressional Budget Act with respect to consideration of Harkin/Reed Amendment No. 3193, to provide additional funding to conduct anti-tobacco activities by the Food and Drug Administration. Subsequently, a point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act was sustained, and the amendment thus fell. **Page 15669**

Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Cochran, Specter, Bond, Gorton, McConnell, Burns, Stevens, Bumpers, Harkin, Kohl, Leahy, Boxer, and Byrd. **Page 15682**

Subsequently, S. 2159 was returned to the Senate calendar.

Japanese Market Barriers: Committee on Finance was discharged from further consideration of S. Con. Res. 88, calling on Japan to have an open, competitive market for consumer photographic film and paper and other sectors facing market access barriers in Japan, and the measure was then agreed to, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 15776**

Bond (for D'Amato) Amendment No. 3210, to make clarifying corrections. **Page 15777**

Judicial Voluntary Services: Senate passed S. 2143, to amend chapter 45 of title 28, United States Code, to authorize the Administrative Assistant to the Chief Justice to accept voluntary services, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 15777**

Uranium Hexafluoride Disposition: Senate passed S. 2316, to require the Secretary of Energy to submit to Congress a plan to ensure that all amounts accrued on the books of the United States Enrichment Corporation for the disposition of depleted uranium hexafluoride will be used to treat and recycle depleted uranium hexafluoride, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 15777**

Bond (for Ford) Amendment No. 3211, to express the sense of the Senate that sufficient funds are made available to implement a cleanup plan to be developed by the Secretary of Energy. **Page 15778**

VA/HUD Appropriations: Senate resumed consideration of S. 2168, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Page 15682**

Adopted:

Bond/Cleland/Mikulski Amendment No. 3195, to increase funds for VA homeless grant and per diem program. **Page 15683**

Bond (for McCain) Amendment No. 3196, to require entities that operate homeless shelters to identify and provide certain counseling to homeless veterans. **Page 15684**

Bond/Mikulski/Rockefeller Amendment No. 3197, to provide funds for the implementation of the Primary Care Providers Incentive Act. **Page 15685**

Bond (for Sarbanes/Mikulski) Amendment No. 3198, to provide for the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation. **Page 15686**

Reed Amendment No. 3203, to increase the funding for community development block grants. **Page 15705**

Bond (for Ashcroft/Bond) Amendment No. 3207, to provide for the ineligibility for certain housing assistance of individuals convicted of manufacturing or producing methamphetamine. **Page 15719**

Bond (for Snowe/Collins) Amendment No. 3208, to express the sense of the Senate that it should be the goal of the Department of Veterans Affairs to serve all veterans at health care facilities within 250 miles of their homes. **Page 15721**

Bond/Mikulski Amendment No. 3209, to make certain technical corrections, to ensure that Native American groups are eligible for HUD drug elimination grants, to continue the authority for the HUD (g)(4) auction program, to allow HUD to use data on multifamily housing developed by the Multifamily Housing Institute, to require all agencies under the bill to provide detailed salaries and expenses information, to authorize OSTP to conduct a study on methods for evaluating Federally-funded research and development, to provide for a 12-month notice to tenants before prepaying the mortgage of a preservation project, and to require HUD to improve its management of the FHA. **Page 15726**

Pending:

Wellstone/Murray/McCain Amendment No. 3199, to restore veterans tobacco-related benefits as in effect before the enactment of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century. **Page 15687**

Murkowski Amendment No. 3200, to provide land allotments for certain Native Alaskan veterans. **Page 15690**

Nickles Amendment No. 3202, to provide for an increase in FHA single family maximum mortgage amounts and GNMA guaranty fee. **Page 15693**

Burns Amendment No. 3205, to provide for insurance and indemnification with respect to the development of certain experimental aerospace vehicles. **Page 15715**

Sessions Amendment No. 3206, to increase funding for activities of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration concerning science and technology, aeronautics, space transportation, and technology by reducing funding for the AmeriCorps program. **Page 15716**

Withdrawn:

Daschle Amendment No. 3063, to amend the Public Health Service Act and the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to protect consumers in managed care plans and other health coverage. **Page 15683**

Feingold Amendment No. 3201, to provide grants to State educational agencies to enable agencies to determine

the benefits of reducing class size on the educational performance of students. **Page 15691**

Kerrey/Hagel Amendment No. 3204, to prohibit the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency from implementing or enforcing the public water system treatment requirements related to the copper action level of the national primary drinking water regulations for lead and copper until certain studies are completed. **Pages 15706, 15716**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that when the Senate receives the House companion measure to S. 2168, that all after the enacting clause be stricken and the text of S. 2168, as passed by the Senate, be inserted in lieu thereof, and that the House bill, as amended, be passed. Also, that the Senate insist on its amendment, request a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate as follows: Senators Bond, Burns, Stevens, Shelby, Campbell, Craig, Mikulski, Leahy, Lautenberg, Harkin, and Byrd. **Page 15728**

A further consent agreement was granted providing that upon passage by the Senate of the House measure, as amended, that the passage of S. 2168 be vitiated and the bill be indefinitely postponed. **Page 15728**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill and amendments pending thereto, on Friday, July 17, 1998, with votes to occur thereon.

Executive Reports of Committees: Senate received the following executive report of a committee:

Treaty Doc. 105-43, Convention on Combating Bribery of Foreign Public Officials in International Business Transactions, with one understanding, one declaration and three provisos. (Exec. Rept. No. 105-19) **Page 15735**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

John D. Hawke, Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be Comptroller of the Currency for a term of five years.

John Melvin Yates, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Cameroon. **Page 15779**

Communications: **Page 15734**

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—209) **Pages 15631, 15657, 15675, 15682**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 11:55 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Friday, July 17,

1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 15779.)

Committee Meetings

NOMINATION

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Daryl L. Jones, of Florida, to be Secretary of the Air Force, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf. Testimony was also received on the nomination from Col. Thomas A. Dyches, Detachment Commander, Fighter Reserve Associate Test, Shaw Air Force Base, South Carolina, Daniel Moreno, Jr., Chief, Operations Systems Management, 482d Operations Squadron, Homestead Air Force Base, Florida, Brig. Gen. Allan R. Poulin, Lt. Col. William Vrastil, Lt. Col. Jack H. Connelly (Ret.), Lt. Col. David W. Eastis (Ret.), Maj. Allan F. Estis (Ret.), Maj. Thomas C. Massey (Ret.), and Brig. Gen. James L. Turner (Ret.), all of the U.S. Air Force Reserves; Lt. Col. Thomas E. Sawner, Air National Guard; and Rev. Walter Richardson, Miami, Florida.

SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES PROGRAM

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings to examine the operating procedures and internal controls of the Schools and Libraries Corporation to implement Federal Communication Commission orders to administer the universal service fund to improve the access of modern telecommunications services to schools and libraries, after receiving testimony from Judy A. England-Joseph, Director, Housing and Community Development Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, and John P. Finedore, Assistant Director, Accounting and Information Management Division, both of the General Accounting Office; and Ira Fishman, Schools and Libraries Corporation, Washington, D.C.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation concluded hearings on S. 155, to redesignate General Grant National Memorial as Grant's Tomb National Monument, S. 1408, to establish the Lower East Side Tenement National Historic Site, S. 1718, to amend the Weir Farm National Historic Site Establishment Act of 1990 to authorize the acquisition of additional acreage for the historic site to permit the development of visitor and administrative facilities and to authorize funds for the acquisition of real and personal property, and S. 1990, to authorize expansion of Fort Davis National Historic Site in Fort Davis, Texas, after receiving testimony from Dennis P. Galvin, Deputy Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

Testimony was also received on S. 1408 (listed above) from Ruth J. Abram, Lower East Side Tenement Museum, New York, New York, and on S. 1718 (listed

above) from Constance Evans, Weir Farm Trust, Wilton, Connecticut.

INTERNET TAX REGULATION

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings on proposals to regulate the taxation of the Internet by placing a moratorium on the ability of State and local governments to impose certain taxes on the Internet, including related provisions of S. 442 and H.R. 4105, receiving testimony from Senators Bumpers, Lieberman, and Wyden; Representative Cox; Joseph H. Guttentag, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for International Tax Affairs; John E. McPhee, Director, Office of Computers and Business Equipment, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce; and Francis J. Kelly, Charles Schwab & Company, Jill A. Lesser, America Online, Harley T. Duncan, Federation of Tax Administrators, Mark E. Nebergall, Internet Tax Fairness Coalition, Raymond C. Scheppach, National Governors' Association, and Mark A. Micali, Direct Marketing Association, all of Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Hugh Q. Parmer, of Texas, to be Assistant Administrator for Humanitarian Response, Agency for International Development, Mary Beth West, of the District of Columbia, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Oceans, Fisheries and Space, John Bruce Craig, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Sultanate of Oman, Theodore H. Kattouf, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the United Arab Emirates, Elizabeth Davenport McKune, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the State of Qatar, David Michael Satterfield, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Lebanon, William B. Milam, of California, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, James Howard Holmes, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Latvia, Steven Robert Mann, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Turkmenistan, Richard Nelson Swett, of New Hampshire, to be Ambassador to Denmark, and Melissa Foelsch Wells, of Connecticut, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Estonia, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Parmer was introduced by Senator Hutchison, Ms. West was introduced by Senator Campbell, Messrs. Craig and Kattouf were introduced by Senator Santorum, Mr. Swett was introduced by Senators Robert Smith and Gregg and Representatives Bass and Shays, and Ms. Wells was introduced by Senator Leahy.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nominations of Kim McLean Wardlaw, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, and Jose de Jesus Rivera, to be United States Attorney for the District of Arizona;

S. 1645, to prohibit taking minors across State lines to avoid laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2192, to make certain technical corrections to the Trademark Act of 1946;

S. 2193, to implement the provisions of the Trademark Law Treaty;

S. 1134, to grant the consent of the Congress to the Northwestern Wildland Fire Protection Agreement to promote effective prevention, presuppression, and control of forest fires in the Northwestern wildland region of the United States and adjacent areas of Canada;

S.J. Res. 35, granting the consent of Congress to the Pacific Northwest Emergency Management Arrangement;

H.R. 1085, to revise, codify, and enact without substantive change certain general and permanent laws, related to patriotic and national observances, ceremonies, and organizations, as title 36, United States Code, "Patriotic and National Observances, Ceremonies, and Organizations"; and

S. Res. 207, commemorating the 20th anniversary of the founding of the Vietnam Veterans of America.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Timothy B. Dyk, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit, Carl J. Barbier, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana, David R. Herndon, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois, Gerald Bruce Lee, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, Nora M. Manella, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, Rebecca R. Pallmeyer, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, Jeanne E. Scott, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of Illinois, and Patricia A. Seitz, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Dyk was introduced by Senator Kerry, Mr. Barbier was introduced by Senators Breaux and Landrieu and Representative Jefferson, Mr. Herndon and Ms. Scott were introduced by Senators Durbin and Moseley-Braun and Representative Shimkus, Ms. Pallmeyer was introduced by Senators Durbin and Moseley-Braun, Mr. Lee was introduced by Senators Warner and Robb, Ms. Manella was introduced by Senator Feinstein, and Ms. Seitz was introduced by Senators Graham and Mack and Representative Ramstad.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 27 public bills, H.R. 4235–4261; 1 private bill, H.R. 4262; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 298–300 and H. Res. 503, were introduced. **Page 15883**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 3633, to amend the Controlled Substances Import and Export Act to place limitations on controlled substances brought into the United States from Mexico (H. Rept. 105–629, Pt. 1); and

Conference report on H.R. 629, to grant the consent of the Congress to the Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact (H. Rept. 105–630).

Pages 15870, 15882

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Miller of Florida to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 15780**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Pierce Klemmt of Alexandria, Virginia.

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Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Read a letter from the Chairman wherein he transmitted resolutions approved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure—Referred to the Committee on Appropriations. **Page 15785**

VA, HUD Appropriations: The House agreed to H. Res. 501, the rule to provide for consideration of H.R. 4194, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, by a ye and nay vote of 227 yeas to 195 nays, Roll No. 285. Earlier, agreed to the Linder amendment that corrects funding level for the Consumer Product Safety Commission and protects provisions relating to the FHA loan ceiling. **Page 15785**

Treasury, Postal Service Appropriations Act: The House passed H.R. 4104, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, by a ye and nay vote of 218 yeas to 203 nays, Roll No. 293. **Page 15794**

Agreed To:

The Maloney of New York amendment that increases funding for the Federal Election Commission by \$2.8 million (agreed to by a recorded vote of 214 yeas to 210 noes, Roll No. 287); **Page 15808**

The Sanders amendment that increases funding for the National Personnel Record Center to manage veterans records; **Page 15817**

The Northup amendment that prohibits any funds to be used to fund Postal Service participation in the Universal Postal Union (Earlier, a point of order was sustained against a similar Northup amendment regarding funds used for Postal Service participation in the Universal Postal Union); **Pages 15839, 15843**

The Wicker amendment that prohibits any funding to be expended by the Postal Service to initiate new non-postal commercial activities or pack and send services; **Page 15855**

The Lowey amendment that prohibits funding to enter into or renew a contract which includes a provision providing prescriptive drug coverage except where the contract also includes a provision for contraceptive coverage for Federal health plans (agreed to by a recorded vote of 224 ayes to 198 noes, Roll No. 290). **Pages 15840, 15864**
Rejected:

The Schumer amendment that sought to delete \$2 million in funding for in transit relief for certain rifle importers and increase ATF law enforcement funding by \$2 million (rejected by a recorded vote of 122 ayes to 301 noes, Roll No. 286); **Pages 15802, 15812**

The DeLauro amendment that sought to strike section 514, relating to prohibition of FEHB plan coverage for abortions (rejected by a recorded vote of 183 ayes to 239 noes, Roll No. 288); **Pages 15821, 15863**

The Hefner amendment that sought to strike section 628 dealing with the rates of basic pay for the statutory pay systems (rejected by a recorded vote of 79 ayes to 342 noes, Roll No. 289); **Pages 15832, 15863**

The Sanders amendment that sought to prohibit any loan in excess of \$250 million to a foreign entity through the exchange stabilization fund (rejected by a recorded vote of 195 ayes to 226 noes, Roll No. 291); **Pages 15844, 15865**

The Smith of New Jersey amendment that sought to prohibit any funds to be used to require any contract to include a term for coverage of abortifacients (rejected by a recorded vote of 198 ayes to 222 noes, Roll No. 292); **Page 15865**

Point of Order Sustained Against:

Saxton amendment that sought to stipulate that foreign states or agencies are not immune to U.S. property seizure or expropriation laws; and **Page 15856**

Morella amendment that sought to allow agencies to use appropriated funds to provide child care services for Federal employees. **Page 15859**

Withdrawn:

The Manzullo amendment was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to prohibit the use of funding to enforce certain information reporting requirements relating to Hope Scholarship and Lifetime Learning Tax Credits. **Page 15862**

Points of Order were sustained against provisions in the bill relating to:

Domestic staff expenditures of the Executive Residence; p. 28, line 1 through 11. **Page 15805**

Emergency expenses related to Year 2000 conversion; p. 37, line 10, through p. 38, line 14. **Page 15807**

Expenses to meet unanticipated needs of the President; p. 38, line 15 through 19. **Page 15808**

Various new construction projects; p. 42, line 3, through p. 44, line 10. **Page 15815**

Sec. 401 through Sec. 407, Sec. 409 through Sec. 411, Sec. 505, Sec. 509 through Sec. 513, Sec. 515, Sec. 516, Sec. 602, Sec. 604, Sec. 605, Sec. 608 through Sec. 611, Sec. 615 through Sec. 618, Sec. 621 through Sec. 627, Sec. 629, Sec. 634, Sec. 635, Sec. 638, and Sec. 644 through Sec. 647. **Pages 15816, 15819, 15828, 15835**

The Clerk was authorized to correct section numbers, punctuation, and cross references, and to make other necessary technical and conforming corrections in the engrossment of the bill. **Page 15870**

Steve Schiff Auditorium: The House passed H.R. 3731, to designate the auditorium located within the Sandia Technology Transfer Center in Albuquerque, New Mexico, as the "Steve Schiff Auditorium" by a yea and nay vote of 409 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 294. **Page 15870**

Thrift Depositor Protection Oversight Board: The House agreed to the Senate amendments to the House amendments to S. 318, to require automatic cancellation and notice of cancellation rights with respect to private mortgage insurance which is required as condition for entering into a residential mortgage transaction and to abolish the Thrift Depositor Protection Oversight Board—clearing the measure for the President. **Page 15874**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate appears on page 15780.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 15885.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea and nay votes and seven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 15794, 15812, 15813, 15863, 15864, 15865, 15868, 15869, and 15870. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:26 p.m.

Committee Meetings

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation approved for full Committee action the Transportation appropriations for fiscal year 1999.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS—RELIEVING REGULATORY BURDEN

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit held a

hearing on proposals to reduce unnecessary regulatory burden on the financial services industry and streamlining the regulatory process. Testimony was heard from Representatives Metcalf, Kelly and McCollum; Laurence H. Meyer, member, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Julie L. Williams, Acting Comptroller of the Currency; and Carolyn Buck, Chief Counsel, Office of Thrift Supervision; Donna Tanoue, Chairman, FDIC; and public witnesses.

REWARDING PERFORMANCE IN COMPENSATION ACT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a hearing on H.R. 2710, Rewarding Performance in Compensation Act. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—EARLY CHILDHOOD INTERVENTION

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Human Resources held an oversight hearing on Early Childhood Interventions: Public-Private Partnerships. Testimony was heard from Lincoln C. Almond, Governor, State of Rhode Island; and public witnesses.

U.S. AND RUSSIA: ASSESSING THE RELATIONSHIP

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on U.S. and Russia: Assessing the Relationship. Testimony was heard from Steve Sestanovich, Ambassador-at-Large, Office of the Special Adviser to the Secretary For the Newly Independent States, Department of State; Paul Goble, Director, Communications Division, Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty, Inc., USIA; and public witnesses.

U.S. AND KOREA—COMMEMORATING 50 YEARS OF RELATIONS

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Asia approved for full Committee action H. Res. 459, commemorating 50 years of relations between the United States and the Republic of Korea.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 3891, Trademark Anticounterfeiting Act of 1998; and H.R. 4090, Public Safety Act Officer Medal of Valor Act of 1998.

The Committee also began markup of H.R. 3898, Speed Trafficking Life In Prison Act of 1998.

COMMISSION TO ASSESS THE BALLISTIC MISSILE THREAT TO THE U.S.

Committee on National Security: Held a hearing on the findings and conclusions of the Commission to Assess the Ballistic Missile Threat to the United States. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Commission

to Assess the Ballistic Missile Threat to the United States: Donald Rumsfeld, Chairman; William R. Graham and Gen. George Lee Butler, USAF (Ret.), both members.

GREAT LAKES FISH AND WILDLIFE RESTORATION ACT; OVERSIGHT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 1481, Great Lakes Fish and Wildlife Restoration Act of 1997.

The Subcommittee also held an oversight hearing on Pilot Program to Control Non-Indigenous Species Nutria at the Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge in Maryland. Testimony was heard from Glenn Carowan, Refuge Manager, Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; Sarah Taylor-Rogers, Assistant Secretary, Department of Natural Resources, State of Maryland; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—REGIONAL HAZE

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held an oversight hearing on Regional Haze. Testimony was heard from Janice McDougal, Associate Deputy Chief, State and Private Forestry, Forest Service, USDA; John Seitz, Director, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, EPA; Don Matlick, Director, Smoke Management, Department of Forestry, State of Oregon; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 3981, to modify the boundaries of the George Washington Birthplace National Monument; H.R. 4109, to authorize the Gateway Visitor Center at Independence National Historical Park; H.R. 4141, to amend the Act authorizing the establishment of the Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area to modify the boundaries of the Area, and to provide for the protection of lands, waters, and natural, cultural, and scenic resources within the national recreation area; and H.R. 4158, National Park Enhancement and Protection Act. Testimony was heard from Speaker Gingrich; Representatives Bateman, Fox of Pennsylvania, Bartlett of Maryland and Borski; Destry Jarvis, Assistant Director, External Affairs, National Parks System, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power approved for full Committee action amended the following bills: H.R. 2161, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Palmetto Bend Project to the State of Texas; H.R. 3677, to authorize and direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain works, facilities, and titles of the Gila Project, and Designated Lands within or adjacent to the Gila Project, to the Wellton-Mohawk Ir-

rigation and Drainage District; H.R. 3706, Clear Creek Distribution System Conveyance Act; and H.R. 3715, Pine Ridge Project Conveyance Act.

TEENAGE PREGNANCY—SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC COSTS

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Empowerment held a hearing on the social and economic costs of teenage pregnancy. Testimony was heard from Val Stevens, Senator, State of Washington; and public witnesses.

SBA'S PROPOSED NEW AUTOMATED LOAN MONITORING SYSTEM

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Government Programs and Oversight held a hearing with respect to the SBA's Proposed New Automated Loan Monitoring System. Testimony was heard from Joel Willemsen, Director, Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO; the following officials of the SBA: John L. Gray, Associate Deputy Administrator; and Lawrence E. Barrett, Chief Information Officer; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS CONSTRUCTION REQUESTS; GSA IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Economic Development held a hearing on the Status of the Courthouse Construction Program, U.S. Mission to the United Nations Construction Request and comments on H.R. 2751, General Services Administration Improvement Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Judge Norman Stahl, Chairman, Security and Facilities Committee, Judicial Conference of the United States; Judge Ann C. Williams, U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois; Robert Peck, Commissioner, Public Buildings Service, GSA; and Ambassador A. Peter Burleigh, Deputy Representative to the U.S. Mission to the United Nations.

OVERSIGHT—STANDARDS FOR ADJUDICATING CLAIMS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Benefits held an oversight hearing on the standards for adjudicating claims presented by veterans suffering from hepatitis C, cerebral malaria and Persian Gulf illnesses. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Teresa Wright, M.D., Director, Gastroenterology, VA Medical Center San Francisco; John Booss, Director, Neurology; Robert Epley, Director, Compensation and Pension Service, Veterans Benefits Administration; and Nils Roberts Varney, Psychologist, VA Medical Center Iowa City; and representatives of various veterans organizations.

ADMINISTRATION'S PLAN TO DELAY IMPLEMENTATION OF BALANCED BUDGET ACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on the Administration's Plan to Delay Im-

plementation of the Balanced Budget Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Senator Collins; Representative Pappas; Nancy-Ann Min DeParle, Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; William J. Scanlon, Director, Health Financing Systems, GAO; and public witnesses.

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Measures Introduced: Seven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2325–2331, and S. Con. Res. 108.

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Measures Passed:

VA/HUD Appropriations: Senate passed S. 2168, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, after taking action on further amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

Burns Amendment No. 3205, to provide for insurance and indemnification with respect to the development of certain experimental aerospace vehicles.

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Murkowski Modified Amendment No. 3200, to provide land allotments for certain Native Alaskan veterans.

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Rejected:

Nickles Amendment No. 3202, to provide for an increase in FHA single family maximum mortgage amounts and GNMA guaranty fee. (By 69 yeas to 27 nays (Vote No. 211), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Sessions Amendment No. 3206, to increase funding for activities of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration concerning science and technology, aeronautics, space transportation, and technology by reducing funding for the AmeriCorps program. (By 58 yeas to 37 nays (Vote No. 212), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 54 yeas to 40 nays (Vote No. 210), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected a motion to waive the Congressional Budget Act with respect to consideration of Wellstone/Murray/McCain Amendment No. 3199, to restore veterans tobacco-related benefits as in effect before the enactment of the Transportation Equity Act for the

21st Century. Subsequently, a point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act was sustained, and the amendment thus fell.

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Milosevic/War Crimes: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. Con. Res. 105, expressing the sense of the Congress regarding the culpability of Slobodan Milosevic for war crimes, crimes against humanity, and genocide in the former Yugoslavia, and the resolution was agreed to, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto:

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D'Amato Amendment No. 3212, to make a technical correction.

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D'Amato Amendment No. 3213, to strike provisions regarding U.S. policy in dealings with President Milosevic.

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Shackleford Banks Wild Horses Protection: Senate passed H.R. 765, to ensure maintenance of a herd of wild horses in Cape Lookout National Seashore, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Domenici (for Murkowski) Amendment No. 3214, in the nature of a substitute.

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Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument Completion Act: Senate passed S. 638, to provide for the expeditious completion of the acquisition of private mineral interests within the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument mandated by the 1982 Act that established the Monument, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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National Discovery Trails: Senate passed S. 1069, entitled the "National Discovery Trails Act of 1997", after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Bandelier National Monument: Senate passed S. 1132, to modify the boundaries of the Bandelier National Monument to include the lands within the headwaters of the Upper Alamo Watershed which drain into the Monument and which are not currently within the jurisdiction of a Federal land management agency, and to authorize purchase or donation of those lands, after agreeing to committee amendments.

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National Historic Lighthouse Preservation Program: Senate passed S. 1403, to amend the National Historic Preservation Act for purposes of establishing a national historic lighthouse preservation program, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Methane Hydrate Resources: Senate passed S. 1418, to promote the research, identification, assessment, exploration, and development of methane hydrate resources, after agreeing to committee amendments.

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Land Conveyance: Senate passed S. 1510, to direct the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain lands to the county of Rio Arriba, New Mexico, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Wenatchee National Forest: Senate passed S. 1683, to transfer administrative jurisdiction over part of the Lake Chelan National Recreation Area from the Secretary of the Interior to the Secretary of Agriculture for inclusion in the Wenatchee National Forest, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site: Senate passed S. 1695, to establish the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site in the State of Colorado, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Hart Mountain Transfer: Senate passed S. 1807, to transfer administrative jurisdiction over certain parcels of public domain land in Lake County, Oregon, to facilitate management of the land, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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New Mexico Land Conveyance: Senate passed H.R. 434, to provide for the conveyance of small parcels of land in the Carson National Forest and the Santa Fe National Forest, New Mexico, to the village of El Rito and the town of Jemez Springs, New Mexico, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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California Land Sale: Senate passed H.R. 1439, to facilitate the sale of certain land in Tahoe National Forest, in the State of California to Placer County, California, clearing the measure for the President.

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Guam Delegate Election: Senate passed H.R. 1460, to allow for election of the Delegate from Guam by other than separate ballot, clearing the measure for the President.

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Mark Twain National Forest Boundary Adjustment: Senate passed H.R. 1779, to make a minor adjustment in the exterior boundary of the Devils Backbone Wilderness in the Mark Twain National Forest, Missouri, to exclude a small parcel of land containing improvements, clearing the measure for the President.

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Iowa FERC Project Extension: Senate passed H.R. 2165, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of FERC Project Number 3862 in the State of Iowa, clearing the measure for the President.

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Colorado FERC Project Extension: Senate passed H.R. 2217, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of FERC Project Number 9248 in the State of Colorado, clearing the measure for the President.

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Kentucky Hydroelectric Project Extension: Senate passed H.R. 2841, to extend the time required for the construction of a hydroelectric project, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 16137**

Legislative Branch Appropriations—Cloture Motion Filed: A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 4112, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Tuesday, July 21, 1998. **Page 16065**

Senate will consider the bill on Monday, July 20, 1998.

Commerce/Justice/State Appropriations, 1999—Agree-

ment: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 2260, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, on Monday, July 20, 1999. **Page 16138**

Messages from the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report of the Executive Order blocking government property and prohibiting transactions with the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro); the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM-144). **Page 16073**

Transmitting the report concerning the emigration laws and policies of Albania; referred to the Committee on Finance. (PM-145). **Page 16075**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

John J. Pikarski, Jr., of Illinois, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation for the remainder of the term expiring December 17, 1998.

John J. Pikarski, Jr., of Illinois, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation for a term expiring December 17, 2001.

Romulo L. Diaz, Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

J. Charles Fox, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Paul Steven Miller, of California, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for the remainder of the term expiring July 1, 1999.

4 Army nominations in the rank of general.

3 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Army, Navy.

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Messages From the President:

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Text of H.R. 4101 as Previously Passed: **Page 16113**

Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—212) **Pages 16020, 16023, 16024**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 3:29 p.m., until 1 p.m., on Monday, July 20, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on pages 16138.)

Committee Meetings

MORTGAGE LENDING REFORM

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Regulatory Relief and the Subcommittee on Housing Opportunity and Community Development concluded joint hearings to examine recommendations from the Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Federal Reserve Board on mortgage loan reforms as contained in the Truth in Lending Act and the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act, after receiving testimony from Edward M. Gramlich, Member, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; and Gail Laster, General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 4263–4272; 1 private bill, H.R. 4273; and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 301, were introduced. **Page 16015**

Reports Filed: A report was filed as follows:

H.R. 4058, to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend the aviation insurance program (H. Rept. 105–632) **Page 16015**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Shaw to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 15894**

VA, HUD Appropriations: The House began consideration of H.R. 4194, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban

Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. **Page 15896**

Agreed To:

The Lazio amendment numbered 12 in the Congressional Record that replaces the 1937 U.S. Housing Act with provisions similar to the House passed version of H.R. 2, the Housing Opportunity and Responsibility Act (agreed to by a recorded vote of 230 ayes to 181 noes, Roll No. 296); **Page 15928**

The Stokes amendment numbered 19 in the Congressional Record that removes restrictions on the use of EPA brownfields funds. **Page 15980**

Rejected:

The Stokes en bloc amendment numbered 18 in the Congressional Record that increases section 8 housing vouchers (rejected by a recorded vote of 201 ayes to 215 noes, Roll No. 295). **Pages 15916, 15976**

Point of Order sustained against the Vento amendment numbered 9 in the Congressional Record that sought to place certain filing requirements on housing owners who plan to terminate their low-income housing mortgages and convert the property for other means. **Page 15926**

Withdrawn:

The Jackson-Lee en bloc amendment numbered 23 in the Congressional Record was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to increase section 8 incremental restoration program funding. **Page 15919**

H. Res. 501, the rule that is providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to on July 16.

Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

Immigration Laws of Albania: Message wherein he submitted his report concerning the immigration laws of Albania—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 105-285); and

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National Emergency—Serbia and Montenegro: Message wherein he submitted his report concerning the national emergency with respect to the Governments of Serbia and Montenegro—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 105-286). **Page 16000**

Extension of Nondiscriminatory Treatment to Products of China: Agreed by unanimous consent to consider H.J. Res. 121, disapproving the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (most-favored-nation treatment) to the products of the People's Republic of China, at any time on Wednesday, July 22. **Page 15978**

Bipartisan Campaign Finance Reform: Agreed by unanimous consent that during further consideration of H.R. 2183 pursuant to H. Res. 442 and H. Res. 458, no other amendment to the amendment in the nature of a substitute by Representative Shays shall be in order ex-

cept the specified amendments placed at the desk today and printed in the Congressional Record. **Page 15982**

Vocational and Applied Technology Education: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 1853, to amend the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Goodling, McKeon, Riggs, Peterson of Pennsylvania, Sam Johnson of Texas, Clay, Martinez, and Kildee. **Pages 16000, 16007**

Legislative Program: The Majority Leader announced the Legislative Program for the week of July 20. **Page 15977**

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, July 20. **Page 16002**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of July 22. **Page 16002**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate appears on page 15894.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 16017.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on page 15976. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 3:27 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FINANCIAL DERIVATIVES SUPERVISORY IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Held a hearing on H.R. 4062, Financial Derivatives Supervisory Improvement Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Hearings continue July 24.

DIGITAL MILLENNIUM COPYRIGHT ACT

Committee on Commerce: Ordered reported amended H.R. 2281, Digital Millennium Copyright Act of 1998.

EDUCATION AT A CROSSROADS REPORT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations adopted the following Subcommittee report "Education at a Crossroads: What Works and What's Wasted in Education Today".

OVERSIGHT—CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution held an oversight hearing on the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice. Testimony was heard from Bill Lann Lee, Acting Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—CIVIL APPLICATION OF RICO TO NONVIOLENT ADVOCACY GROUPS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime held an oversight hearing addressing the civil application of the Racketeering Influenced Corrupt Organization Act (RICO) to nonviolent advocacy groups. Testimony was heard from Frank J. Marine, Acting Chief, Organized Crime and Racketeering Section, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

COUNTERNARCOTICS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Counternarcotics. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING, AND LITERACY ENHANCEMENT ACT

Conferees on Thursday, July 16, met to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 1385, to consolidate, coordinate, and improve employment, training, literacy, and vocational rehabilitation programs in the United States, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 16168–16217

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Special Report on Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 1999. (S. Rept. No. 105–252) **Page 16185**

Legislative Branch Appropriations, 1999: Senate resumed consideration of H.R. 4112, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Page 16175**

Adopted:

Stevens (for Bennett/Dorgan) Amendment No. 3220, to provide funds for Senate legislative items. **Page 16175**

Stevens (for Bennett/Dorgan) Amendment No. 3221 (to Amendment No. 3220), to increase funding for Capitol Police expenses. **Pages 16175, 16177**

Stevens (for Bennett/Dorgan) Amendment No. 3222 (to Amendment No. 3220), to increase funding for salaries, officers, and employees, to provide funds for salaries of the Committee on Appropriations, to increase funding

for agency contributions for employee benefits and related expenses, to reduce funding for expenses of inquiries and investigations, to provide additional funds for miscellaneous items, and to provide certain authority to the Committee on Appropriations. **Page 16175**

Stevens (for Bennett/Dorgan) Amendment No. 3223 (to Amendment No. 3220), to establish a Trade Deficit Review Commission to study the nature, causes, and consequences of the United States merchandise trade and current account deficits. **Page 16175**

Stevens (for Thomas/Brownback) Amendment No. 3224, to require certain Legislative Branch officials to submit to Congress lists of activities performed under the jurisdiction of the officials that are not inherently governmental functions. **Page 16177**

Pending:

McCain Amendment No. 3225, to make available on the Internet, for purposes of access and retrieval by the public, certain information available through the Congressional Research Service web site. **Page 16179**

Senate will vote on a motion to close further debate on the bill on Tuesday, July 21, 1998, at 10 a.m.

Commerce, Justice, State Appropriations, 1999: Senate began consideration of S. 2260, making appropriations for The Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. **Page 16216**

Measures Placed on Calendar: **Page 16184**

Measures Read First Time: **Page 16184**

Communications: **Page 16184**

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Notices of Hearings: **Page 16197**

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Additional Statements: **Page 16198**

Text of S. 2168 as Previously Passed: **Page 16201**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 1 p.m., and adjourned at 4:25 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Tuesday, July 21, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 16217.)

Committee Meetings

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Richard E. Hecklinger, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Thailand, Charles F. Kartman, of Virginia, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Special Envoy for the Korean Peace Talks, and Kent M. Weidemann, of California, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Cambodia, after the nominees testified and answered questions in

their own behalf. Mr. Kartman was introduced by Senator Robb.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 4 public bills, H.R. 4275, 4277–4279; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 302–303, and H. Res. 505–506, were introduced. **Page 16316**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 3874, to amend the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 to make improvements to the special supplemental nutrition program for women, infants, and children and to extend the authority of that program through fiscal year 2003 amended (H. Rept. 105–633);

H.R. 8, to amend the Clean Air Act to deny entry into the United States of certain foreign motor vehicles that do not comply with State laws governing motor vehicles emissions, and for other purposes amended (H. Rept. 105–634);

H.R. 4274, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Doc. 105–635);

H.R. 4276, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Doc. 105–636);

H. Res. 504, the rule providing for consideration of H.R. 4193, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Doc. 105–637);

H.J. Res. 121, disapproving the extension of non-discriminatory treatment (most-favored-nation treatment) to the products of the People's Republic of China (H. Rept. 105–638);

H.R. 4057, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize programs of the Federal Aviation Administration, amended (H. Rept. 105–639); and

H.R. 3249, to provide for the rectification of certain retirement coverage errors affecting Federal employees, amended (H. Rept. 105–625 part 2). **Page 16316**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Stearns to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 16218**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:55 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m. **Page 16220**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Child Nutrition and WIC Reauthorization Amendments: H.R. 3874, amended, to amend the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 to make improvements to the special

supplemental nutrition program for women, infants, and children and to extend the authority of that program through fiscal year 2003 (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 383 yeas with one voting "nay", Roll No. 297). Agreed to amend the title; **Pages 16222, 16270**

Sense of Congress Regarding Affordable Housing: H. Con. Res. 208, expressing the sense of the Congress regarding access to affordable housing and expansion of homeownership opportunities (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 390 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 298); **Pages 16231, 16271**

War Risk Insurance Reauthorization Act: H. Res. 4058, to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend the aviation insurance program; **Page 16237**

Condolences to State and People of Florida: H. Con. Res. 298, expressing deepest condolences to the State and people of Florida for the losses suffered as a result of the wild land fires occurring in June and July 1998, expressing support to the State and people of Florida as they overcome the effects of the fires, and commending the heroic efforts of firefighters from across the Nation in battling the fires; **Page 16238**

Importance of Japanese American Relations: H. Res. 392, amended, relating to the importance of Japanese American relations and the urgent need for Japan to more effectively address its economic and financial problems and open its markets by eliminating informal barriers to trade and investment, thereby making a more effective contribution to leading the Asian region out of its current financial crisis, insuring against a global recession, and reinforcing regional stability and security (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 391 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 299); **Pages 16241, 16272**

United States Commitment to Taiwan: H. Con. Res. 301, affirming the United States commitment to Taiwan (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 390 yeas with one voting "nay", Roll No. 300); **Pages 16244, 16273**

Border Smog Reduction Act: H.R. 8, amended, to amend the Clean Air Act to deny entry into the United States of certain foreign motor vehicles that do not comply with State laws governing motor vehicles emissions; and **Page 16249**

Federal Retirement Coverage Corrections Act: H.R. 3249, amended, to provide for the rectification of certain retirement coverage errors affecting Federal employees. **Page 16259**

Depleted Uranium Hexafluoride: The House passed S. 2316, to require the Secretary of Energy to submit to Congress a plan to ensure that all amounts accrued on the books of the United States Enrichment Corporation for the disposition of depleted uranium hexafluoride will be used to treat and recycle depleted uranium hexafluoride. **Page 16274**

Bipartisan Campaign Integrity Act: The House continued consideration of amendments to H.R. 2183, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to reform the financing of campaigns for elections for Federal office. **Page 16275**

Agreed To:

The Wicker amendment to the Shays amendment in the nature of a substitute, debated on July 14, that prohibits the use of White House meals or accommodations for political fundraising (agreed to by a recorded vote of 391 ayes to 4 noes, Roll No. 301); **Page 16288**

The Stearns amendment to the Shays amendment in the nature of a substitute, debated on July 14, that prohibits noncitizens from making contributions to candidates for Federal, state, or local elections (agreed to by a recorded vote of 267 ayes to 131 noes, Roll No. 302); **Page 16289**

The Pickering amendment to the Shays amendment in the nature of a substitute, as modified, that prohibits willful blindness as a defense against a charge of violating the foreign contribution ban if the defendant should have known that the contribution came from a foreign national (agreed to by a recorded vote of 344 ayes to 56 noes, Roll No. 303); **Pages 16276, 16290**

The Smith of Michigan amendment to the Shays amendment in the nature of a substitute, as modified, that establishes a prison term for 10 years and a fine not to exceed \$1 million as penalties for violation of the foreign contribution ban; **Page 16277**

The DeLay amendment to the Shays amendment in the nature of a substitute that expresses the Sense of Congress that Federal law clearly demonstrates that "controlling legal authority" prohibits the use of Federal property to raise campaign funds (agreed to by a recorded vote of 360 ayes to 36 noes, Roll No. 304); **Pages 16279, 16290**

The McInnis amendment to the Shays amendment in the nature of a substitute that prohibits acceptance or solicitation to obtain access to Air Force One, Marine One, Air Force Two, Marine Two, the White House or the Vice President's residence and institutes a fine or imprisonment for violation for up to one year (agreed to by a recorded vote of 391 ayes to 7 noes, Roll No. 305); **Pages 16281, 16291**

The Hefley amendment to the Shays amendment in the nature of a substitute that requires the national parties to reimburse the Federal government for the use of Air Force One for political fundraising (agreed to by a recorded vote of 222 ayes to 177 noes, Roll No. 307); and **Pages 16285, 16293**

The Northup amendment to the Shays amendment in the nature of a substitute that prohibits campaigns from providing currency to individuals for the purpose of encouraging turnout on the date of election (agreed to by a recorded vote of 222 ayes to 177 noes, Roll No. 308). **Pages 16286, 16293**

The Snowbarger amendment that establishes mandatory imprisonment for not fewer than 1 year and not more than 10 years for criminal conduct; and **Page 16302**

The Whitfield amendment that bans the coordination of soft money for issue advocacy by presidential candidates receiving public financing. **Page 16304**

Rejected the Paxon amendment to the Shays amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to require an itemization of amounts spent by labor organizations for political activities and requires the availability of the reports via a public internet site or other publicly accessible computer network (rejected by a recorded vote of 150 ayes to 248 noes, Roll No. 306). **Pages 16283, 16292**

Pending:

The Goodlatte amendment that repeals the requirement for States to provide for voter registration by mail and includes provisions to reform voter registration; **Page 16294**

The Wicker amendment that permits States to require photo identification before receiving a ballot for voting in an election for Federal office; **Page 16301**

The Calvert amendment that limits the amount of congressional candidates contributions from individuals not residing in the district or State involved to 50 percent; and **Page 16305**

The Linda Smith of Washington amendment that clarifies the term "express advocacy" and provides an exception for voting record and voting guide information. **Page 16309**

The House is considering the bill pursuant to the unanimous consent order of July 17 and H. Res. 442 and H. Res. 458, the rules providing for consideration of the bill.

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate appears on page 16221.

Referrals: S. 638, S. 1069, S. 1132, S. 1403, S. 1510, S. 1695, and S. 1807 were referred to the Committee on Resources; S. 1418 was referred to the Committees on Science and Resources; and S. Con. Res. 105 was referred to the Committee on International Relations. **Page 16314**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 16317.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea and nay votes, and eight recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 16270, 16271, 16272, 16273, 16288, 16289, 16290, 16291, 16292, and 16293. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 11:41 p.m.

Committee Meetings

STATE OF CANCER RESEARCH

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment held a hearing on The State of Cancer Research.

Testimony was heard from the following officials of the National Cancer Institute, NIH, Department of Health and Human Services: Edison Liu, M.D., Director, Division of Clinical Sciences; and Steven A. Rosenberg, M.D., Chief of Surgery; and public witnesses.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by voice vote, an open rule on H.R. 4193, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, providing one hour of general debate equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives section 306 (prohibiting matters within the jurisdiction of the Budget Committee in a measure not reported by it) or 401 (prohibiting consideration of budget-related legislation, as reported, that is not subject to appropriations) of the Budget Act against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendments printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution shall be considered as adopted.

The rule waives clause 2 (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations and legislative provisions) and clause 6 (prohibiting reappropriations in an appropriations bill) of rule XXI against the bill except as follows: page 88, line 10, through page 89, line 6 (NEA). The rule makes in order those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report, which shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided between a proponent and an opponent, and shall not be subject to amendment. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have preprinted their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows for the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. The rule waives clause 2(e) of rule XXI prohibiting non-emergency amendments to be offered to a bill containing an emergency designation under the Budget Act) against amendment to the bill. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions.

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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, page 16446–16542

Measures Introduced: Eight bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2332–2339. **Page 16511**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Report to accompany S. 1301, Consumer Bankruptcy Reform Act. (S. Rept. No. 105–253)

S. 2333, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and for other purposes. (S. Rept. No. 105–254)

S. 2334, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. (S. Rept. No. 105–255)

S. 2206, to amend the Head Start Act, the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981, and the Community Services Block Grant Act to reauthorize and make improvements to those Acts, to establish demonstration projects that provide an opportunity for persons with limited means to accumulate assets, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–256)

H.R. 1836, to amend chapter 89 of title 5, United States Code, to improve administration of sanctions against unfit health care providers under the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 105–257) **Page 16511**

Measures Passed:

Legislative Branch Appropriations, 1999: By 90 yeas to 9 nays (Vote No. 214), Senate passed H.R. 4112, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, as amended.

Pages 16451, 16541

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 83 yeas to 16 nays (Vote 213), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to close further debate on the bill.

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Subsequently, McCain Amendment No. 3225, to make available on the Internet, for purposes of access and retrieval by the public, certain information available through the Congressional Research Service web site, was ruled out of order as being non-germane when cloture was invoked.

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Senate insisted on its amendments, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Bennett, Stevens, Craig, Cochran, Dorgan, Boxer, and Byrd.

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Commerce, Justice, State Appropriations, 1999: Senate resumed consideration of S. 2260, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Page 16455**

Adopted:

Coats Amendment No. 3227, to establish a prohibition on commercial distribution on the World Wide Web of material that is harmful to minors. **Page 16461**

McCain Amendment No. 3228 (to Amendment No. 3227), to direct the Federal Communications Commission to study systems for filtering or blocking matter on the Internet, and to require the installation of such system on computers in schools and libraries with Internet access. **Page 16462**

McCain/Burns Modified Amendment No. 3229, to promote competition in the market for delivery of multi-channel video programming. **Pages 16466, 16492**

By 72 yeas to 28 nays (Vote No. 215), Craig/Hatch Amendment No. 3238, to provide for firearms safety. **Page 16483**

Smith, of New Hampshire, Amendment No. 3233, to require the destruction of information submitted by or on behalf of any person who has been determined not to be prohibited from owning a firearm, and to prohibit the use of funds for the implementation of a gun tax. **Pages 16477, 16488**

By 69 yeas to 31 nays (Vote No. 217), Smith, of New Hampshire, Amendment No. 3234 (to Amendment No. 3233), of a perfecting nature. **Pages 16477, 16488**

Durbin Modified Amendment No. 3240, to prohibit foreign nationals admitted to the United States under a nonimmigrant visa from possessing a firearm. **Page 16492**

Rejected:

Boxer/Kohl Amendment No. 3230, to improve the safety of handguns by requiring child safety locks. (By 61 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 216), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages 16468, 16479, 16483**

Withdrawn:

Boxer Amendment No. 3231 (to Amendment No. 3230), of a perfecting nature. **Pages 16468, 16479**

Lott motion to commit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report back forthwith in status quo with a Lott Amendment No. 3235, to provide for firearms safety, and the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages 16481, 16483**

Lott Amendment No. 3236 (to the instructions), to provide for firearms safety. (The amendment fell when the motion to commit was withdrawn) **Page 16482**

Lott Amendment No. 3237 (to Amendment No. 3236), of a perfecting nature. (The amendment fell when the motion to commit was withdrawn) **Page 16482**

Pending:

Bumpers Modified Amendment No. 3243, to amend the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, relating to counsel for witnesses in grand jury proceedings. **Page 16496**

Graham/DeWine Amendment No. 3244, to modify the definition of the term "public aircraft". **Page 16503**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the pending amendments on Wednesday, July 22, 1998, with votes to occur thereon. **Page 16498**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report concerning the national emergency with respect to terrorists who threaten to disrupt the Middle East Peace Process; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM-146). **Page 16509**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Thomasina V. Rogers, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission for a term expiring April 27, 2003.

Ritajeane Hartung Butterworth, of Washington, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2004.

Bernard Daniel Rostker, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of the Army.

John Melvin Yates, of Washington, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador of the United States of America to the Republic of Equatorial Guinea.

Robert C. Randolph, of Washington, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Agency for International Development.

Sylvia M. Mathews, of West Virginia, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

James A. Tassone, of Florida, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of Florida for the term of four years.

Scott Richard Lassar, of Illinois, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois for the term of four years.

Leigh A. Bradley, of Virginia, to be General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general. **Page 16541**

Nominations Withdrawn: Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nominations:

Thomasina V. Rogers, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission for the remainder of the term expiring April 27, 2001, which was sent to the Senate on June 24, 1998.

Bernard Daniel Rostker, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense, which was sent to the Senate on April 2, 1998. **Page 16542**

Messages From the President: **Page 16509**

Messages From the House: **Page 16510**

Measures Referred: **Page 16510**

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Record Votes: Five record votes were taken today. (Total—217)	Pages 16451, 16486, 16490

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 8:55 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, July 22, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 16541.)

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—FOREIGN ASSISTANCE/ DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

An original bill (S. 2333) making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999; and

An original bill (S. 2334) making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in closed session to consider pending nominations, but made no announcements, and will meet again tomorrow.

MONETARY POLICY

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine the Federal Reserve's monetary policy and economic outlook report to Congress, after receiving testimony from Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

PERSONAL SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded hearings to examine the administration of proposed personal savings accounts within the Social Security system, after receiving testimony from Francis X. Cavanaugh, former Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board; James S. Phalen, State Street Bank and Trust Company, Boston, Massachusetts; and Fred T. Goldberg, Jr., Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom, Washington, D.C.

DISCRETIONARY FUNDING PROGRAMS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings to examine the process by

which the Department of Commerce and Department of Transportation distribute financial assistance or discretionary funds to states, municipalities, and other eligible entities, after receiving testimony from Kenneth M. Mead, Inspector General, and Kenneth R. Wykle, Administrator, Federal Highway Administration, both of the Department of Transportation; and Johnnie E. Frazier, Acting Inspector General, and W. Scott Gould, Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary for Administration, both of the Department of Commerce.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill to encourage increased trade and economic cooperation between the United States and sub-Saharan African countries, to extend duty-free treatment under the Generalized System of Preferences, to extend preferential treatment to certain products imported from Caribbean Basin countries, to extend tariff proclamation authority and fast track procedures for congressional consideration of certain trade agreements, to extend certain trade adjustment assistance programs, to bolster United States efforts to eliminate barriers to American agricultural exports, to approve and implement the OECD Shipbuilding Trade Agreement, to extend permanent normal trade relations tariff treatment to imports from Mongolia, and to reduce or suspend duties on imports of certain types of wool fabric in order to correct an inversion in the tariff schedule. (As approved by the committee, the bill incorporates certain provisions of S. 219, S. 343, S. 1216, S. 1269, S. 1278, S. 1457, S. 2047, and H.R. 1432.)

CONTRACEPTIVE INSURANCE COVERAGE

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee concluded hearings on S. 766, to require equitable coverage of prescription contraceptive drugs and devices and contraceptive services under health plans, after receiving testimony from Senators Snowe and Reid; Maryland State Delegate Sharon Grosfeld, Kensington; and Gloria Feldt, Planned Parenthood Federation of America, and Richard H. Schwarz, New York Methodist Hospital, on behalf of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, both of New York, New York.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Scott E. Thomas, of the District of Columbia, David M. Mason, of Virginia, Darryl R. Wold, of California, and Karl J. Sandstrom, of Washington, each to be a Member of the Federal Election Commission, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Wold was introduced by Representative Thomas.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 15 public bills, H.R. 4280–4294; 1 private bill, H.R. 4295; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 304 and H. Res. 507, were introduced. **Page 16643**

Reports Filed: A report was filed as follows:

H.R. 1689, to amend the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to limit the conduct of securities class actions under State law, amended (H. Rept. 105–640). **Page 16442**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Deal to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 16330**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Dr. Kevin Shrum of Nashville, Tennessee. **Page 16338**

Recess: The House recessed at 9:50 a.m. and reconvened at 10:00 a.m. **Page 16338**

Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Yates motion to adjourn by a yea and nay vote of 7 yeas to 382 nays, Roll No. 309. **Page 16342**

Interior Appropriations: The House completed general debate and began considering amendments to H.R. 4193, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. **Page 16352**

Agreed To:

The Johnson of Connecticut amendment made in order by the rule that restores \$98 million funding to the National Endowment of the Arts (agreed to by a recorded vote of 253 yeas to 173 noes, Roll No. 312); **Page 16370**

The Sanford amendment that makes technical corrections to a set of maps entitled the "Coastal Barrier Resources System"; **Page 16394**

The Miller of California amendment that increases National Park Service funding by \$2 million for the Urban Park and Recreation Fund; and **Page 16394**

The Sanders amendment numbered 6 and printed in the Congressional Record that increases funding for Bureau of Land Management Payments In Lieu of Taxes (PILT) funding by \$20 million (agreed to by a recorded vote of 241 yeas to 185 noes, Roll No. 314). **Pages 16387, 16408**

Rejected:

The Skaggs amendment that sought to increase funding for energy conservation funding by \$40 million with \$16 million for weatherization assistance grants, \$4 million for State energy conservation grants, \$10 million for building technology programs, \$5 million for industry programs, and \$5 million for transportation programs (rejected by a recorded vote of 212 yeas to 213 noes, Roll No. 313); and **Pages 16380, 16407**

The McGovern amendment that sought to provide \$30 million for the state side program of the Land and Water Conservation Fund (rejected by a recorded vote of 203 yeas to 221 noes, Roll No. 315); **Pages 16398, 16409**

Point of Order sustained against provisions in the bill on the National Endowment for the Arts (subsequently the House agreed to the Johnson of Connecticut amendment that restored funding to the NEA). **Page 16369**

Withdrawn:

The Ensign amendment was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to increase funding for the Lake Tahoe Basin by \$5.3 million; and **Page 16420**

The Furse amendment numbered 8 in the Congressional Record was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to reduce by \$80.5 million the funding for the Forest Service's timber program and reallocate it to watershed improvements and recreation management. **Page 16421**

H. Res. 504, the rule that is providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a recorded vote of 224 yeas to 191 noes, Roll No. 311. Earlier, agreed to order the previous question by a yea and nay vote of 223 yeas to 196 nays, Roll No. 310. **Page 16341**

Presidential Veto Message—Education Savings Act: Read a message from the President wherein he announced his veto of H.R. 2646, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts. Agreed to refer the bill and veto message to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–287). **Page 16425**

Suspension—Securities Litigation Standards: The House completed consideration of the motion to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 1689, amended, to amend the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to limit the conduct of securities class actions under State law. The vote was postponed. **Page 16425**

Presidential Message—Terrorists: Read a message from the President wherein he submitted a report on the developments concerning the national emergency with respect to terrorists who threaten to disrupt the Middle East peace process—referred to International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–288). **Page 16438**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 16444.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea and nay votes and five recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 16343, 16351, 16379, 16408, and 16409. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

Committee Meetings

ENERGY POLICY ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing on H.R. 2568, Energy Policy Act Amendments of 1997. Testimony was heard from Thomas Gross, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Transportation Technologies, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

ELECTRONIC COMMERCE

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection continued hearings on Electronic Commerce: Privacy in Cyberspace, focusing on data privacy measures, including H.R. 2368, Data Privacy Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the FTC: Robert Pitofsky, Chairman; Orson Swindle, Sheila F. Anthony and Mozelle W. Thompson, all Commissioners; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Civil Service approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 2526, to amend title 5, United States Code, to make the percentage limitations on individual contributions to the Thrift Savings Plan more consistent with the dollar amount limitation on elective deferrals; H.R. 2566, Civil Service Retirement System Actuarial Redeposit Act of 1997; H.R. 4280, to provide for greater access to child care services for Federal employees; and H.R. 2943, to amend title 5, United States Code, to increase the amount of leave time available to a Federal employee in any year in connection with serving as an organ donor.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Postal Service approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 3725, amended, Postal Service Health and Safety Promotion Act; H.R. 2623, to designate the United States Post Office located at 16250 Highway 603 in Kiln, Mississippi, as the "Ray J. Favre Post Office Building"; H.R. 3167, to designate the United States Post Office located at 297 Larkfield Road in East Northport, New York, as the "Jerome Anthony Ambro, Jr. Post Office Building"; H.R. 4052, to establish designations for United States Postal Service buildings located in Coconut Grove, Opa Locka, Carol City, and Miami, Florida; H.R. 3810, to designate the United States Post Office located at 202 Center Street in Garwood, New Jersey, as the "James T. Leonard, Sr. Post Office"; H.R. 3939, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 658 63rd Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "Edgar C. Campbell, Sr., Post Office Building"; H.R. 3999, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 5209 Greene Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "David P. Richardson,

Jr., Post Office Building"; H.R. 4000, amended, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 400 Edgmont Avenue, Chester, Pennsylvania, as the "Thomas P. Foglietta Post Office Building"; H.R. 4001, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 2601 North 16th Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "Roxanne H. Jones Post Office Building"; H.R. 4002, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 5300 West Jefferson Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "Freeman Hankins Post Office Building"; and H.R. 4003, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 2037 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "Max Weiner Post Office Building".

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Favorably considered the following measures and adopted a motion urging the Chairman to request that they be considered on the Suspension Calendar: H.J. Res. 125, amended, finding the Government of Iraq in material and unacceptable breach of its international obligations; H.R. 4095, International Arms Sales Code of Conduct Act of 1998; H. Res. 459, commemorating 50 years of relations between the United States and the Republic of Korea; H. Con. Res. 277, concerning the New Tribes Mission hostage crisis; H. Res. 469, amended, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding assistance to Mexico to combat wildfires; H. Con. Res. 292, calling for an end to the recent conflict between Eritrea and Ethiopia; H. Con. Res. 224, urging international cooperation in recovering children abducted in the United States and taken to other countries; H. Res. 421, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives deploring the tragic and senseless murder of Bishop Juan Jose Gerardi, calling on the Government of Guatemala to expeditiously bring those responsible for the crime to justice, and calling on the people of Guatemala to reaffirm their commitment to continue to implement the peace accords without interruption; and H. Con. Res. 254, calling on the Government of Cuba to extradite to the United States convicted felon Joanne Chesimard and all other individuals who have fled the United States to avoid prosecution or confinement for criminal offenses and who are currently living freely in Cuba.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 3898, Speed Trafficking Life in Prison Act of 1998; H.R. 2592, Private Trustee Reform Act of 1997; and H.R. 2070, Correction Officers Health and Safety Act of 1997.

The Committee began mark up of H.R. 3789, Class Action Jurisdiction Act of 1998.

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MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1467, to provide for the continuance of oil and gas operations pursuant to certain existing leases in the Wayne National Forest; H.R. 3878, to subject certain reserved mineral interests of the operation of the Mineral Leasing Act; and H.R. 3972, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to prohibit the Secretary of the Interior from charging State and local government agencies for certain uses of the sand, gravel, and shell resources of the Outer Continental Shelf. Testimony was heard from Representative Pickett; the following officials of the Department of the Interior: Carol Hartgen, Chief, Office of International Activities and Marine Minerals, Minerals Management Service; and Carson W. Culp, Assistant Director, Minerals, Realty and Resources Protection, Bureau of Land Management; and Meyera E. Oberndorf, Mayor, Virginia Beach, State of Virginia.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 4021, Interstate 90 Land Exchange Act of 1998; and H.R. 4023, to provide for the conveyance of the Forest Service property in Kern County, California, in exchange for county lands suitable for inclusion in Sequoia National Forest. Testimony was heard from Representatives Thomas and Hastings of Washington; Gloria Manning, Associate Deputy Chief, National Forest System, Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—COMMUNITY COLLEGES

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Technology held an oversight hearing on Community Colleges in the 21st Century: Tackling Technology. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP ACT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Economic Development approved for full Committee action the following: 8 Courthouse Construction prospectuses; U.S. Mission to the United Nations prospectus; 5 11-B resolutions; H.R. 4275, Economic Development Partnership Act of 1998; H.R. 3482, to designate the Federal building located at 11000 Wilshire Boulevard in Los Angeles, California, as the "Abraham Lincoln Federal Building"; H.R. 3598, to designate the Federal building located at 700 East San Antonio Street in El Paso, Texas, as the "Richard C. White Federal Building"; and S. 2032, amended, to designate the Federal building in Juneau, Alaska, as the "Hurff A. Saunders Federal Building".

ECONOMIC INTELLIGENCE

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Economic Intelligence. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

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Measures Introduced: Five bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2340–2344, and S. Res. 257.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 712, to provide for a system to classify information in the interests of national security and a system to declassify such information, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–258)

H.R. 643, to designate the United States courthouse to be constructed at the corner of Superior and Huron Roads, in Cleveland, Ohio, as the "Carl B. Stokes United States Courthouse".

H.R. 3504, to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize appropriations for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and to further define the criteria for capital repair and operation and maintenance.

S. 1700, to designate the headquarters building of the Department of Housing and Urban Development in Washington, District of Columbia, as the "Robert C. Weaver Federal Building".

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Commerce, Justice, State Appropriations, 1999: Senate resumed consideration of S. 2260, making appropriations for The Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

By 56 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. 219), Graham/DeWine Amendment No. 3244, to modify the definition of the term "public aircraft".

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Wellstone Amendment No. 3252, to provide for mental health screening and treatment for incarcerated offenders.

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Faircloth Amendment No. 3253, relating to offenses involving the sexual exploitation or other abuse of children.

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Bryan Amendment No. 3267 (to Amendment No. 3266), to provide an exception for "fantasy" sports games and contests.

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By 55 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 221), Gregg Modified Amendment No. 3255, to express the sense of the Senate on the budget and Social Security. **Page 16593**

Thompson Modified Amendment No. 3256, to reinstate certain principles, criteria, and policies relating to Federalism. **Pages 16619, 16642**

Craig Modified Amendment No. 3261, to require increased efforts for the prosecution of offenses in connection with the unlawful possession, transfer and use of firearms. **Pages 16613, 16643**

Bumpers/Hatch Amendment No. 3262, to require a report by the Judicial Conference of the United States concerning whether the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure should be amended to provide for the presence of witness counsel in the grand jury room. **Page 16622**

Wyden/Smith (of Oregon) Amendment No. 3265, relating to the illegal possession of firearms by juveniles. **Page 16630**

Bryan Amendment No. 3267 (to Amendment No. 3266), to provide an exception for "fantasy" sports games and contests. **Page 16631**

Rejected:

By 41 yeas to 59 nays (Vote No. 218), Bumpers Modified Amendment No. 3243, to amend the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, relating to counsel for witnesses in grand jury proceedings. **Page 16559**

Sessions/Hatch Amendment No. 3245, to increase funding for Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grants. (By 64 yeas to 36 nays (Vote No. 220), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Page 16561**

By 47 yeas to 53 nays (Vote No. 222), Hollings Amendment No. 3254, to express the sense of the Senate on the budget and Social Security. **Page 16580**

By 47 yeas to 53 nays (Vote No. 223), McCain Amendment No. 3257, to prevent any consolidation of the Patent and Trademark Office until the Administrator of General Services conducts a cost-benefit analysis that is not limited to a specific geographical region and makes a recommendation on the basis of that analysis. **Pages 16606, 16641**

Durbin Amendment No. 3260, to require secure storage for firearms and installation of a safety device to prevent children from injuring themselves and others with firearms. (By 69 yeas to 31 nays (Vote No. 224), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages 16612, 16643**

By 50 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 225), Bumpers Amendment No. 3263, to make it illegal, in most cases, to tape a phone conversation without the consent of all parties. **Pages 16622, 16643**

Feingold Amendment No. 3264, to require a report from the Federal Communications Commission with respect to cable television rates. (By 63 yeas to 36 nays, one responding present (Vote No. 227), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages 16624, 16645**

Pending:

Kyl/Bryan Amendment No. 3266, to prohibit Internet gambling. **Page 16631**

Craig Modified Amendment No. 3268 (to Amendment No. 3266), to clarify that Indian gaming is subject to Federal jurisdiction. **Pages 16637, 16648**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 51 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 226), Senate tabled the motion to reconsider the vote by which Amendment No. 3263, listed above, was rejected. **Page 16644**

A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the pending amendments and certain amendments to be proposed on Thursday, July 23, 1998. **Page 16647**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that following passage of S. 2260, and upon receipt of H.R. 4276, House companion measure, that all after the enacting clause be stricken and the text of S. 2260, as passed by the Senate, be inserted in lieu thereof, that H.R. 4276, be passed, that the Senate insist on its amendment, request a conference with the House thereon, the Chair be authorized to appoint the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Gregg, Stevens, Domenici, McConnell, Hutchison, Campbell, Cochran, Hollings, Inouye, Bumpers, Lautenberg, Mikulski, and Byrd, and that the passage of S. 2260 be vitiated, and the bill be indefinitely postponed. **Page 16606**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report concerning abatement of interest on under-payments in presidentially declared disaster areas; referred to the Committee on the Budget. (PM-147). **Page 16651**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

James E. Newsome, of Mississippi, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for the term expiring June 19, 2001.

Howard Hikaru Tagomori, of Hawaii, to be United States Marshal for the District of Hawaii for the term of four years.

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

29 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Army and Navy. **Page 16687**

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Amendments Submitted: **Page 16662**

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Record Votes: Ten record votes were taken today. (Total—227) **Pages 16560, 16574, 16605, 16606, 16642, 16643, 16644, 16646**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 11:37 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Thursday, July 23, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 16687.)

Committee Meetings

YEAR 2000 AGRICULTURE COMPLIANCE

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings to examine the Year 2000 information technology dilemma as it relates to agricultural business and other economic matters, after receiving testimony from Edward Yardeni, Deutsche Bank Securities, New York, New York; Donald D. Serpico, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, Chicago, Illinois; and Jerold L. Harris and David D. Janish, both of the Farm Credit Bank of Wichita, Kansas.

NOMINATION

Committee on Armed Services: Committee failed to approve for reporting, without recommendation, the nomination of Daryl L. Jones, of Florida, to be Secretary of the Air Force.

HOLOCAUST ASSETS RESTITUTION

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine current developments with regard to the 1946 Swiss Holocaust Assets Agreement, focusing on the role of Swiss banks and their historic and current treatment of assets of holocaust victims, after receiving testimony from Stuart Eizenstat, Under Secretary of State for Economic Affairs; Jean Ziegler, University of Geneva, Switzerland, and Member, Swiss Federal Parliament; New York State Comptroller H. Carl McCall, Albany; New York City First Deputy Comptroller Steven Newman, Israel Singer, World Jewish Congress, and Mel Urbach, World Council of Orthodox Jewish Communities, all of New York, New York; Rabbi Marvin Hier, Simon Wiesenthal Center, Los Angeles, California; Fredy Rom, Jewish Telegraphic Agency, Zurich, Switzerland; and Michael D. Hausfeld, Washington, D.C.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Bill Richardson, of New Mexico, to be Secretary of Energy, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators Helms, Domenici, and Bingaman, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

LAND EXCHANGE AND BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management concluded hearings on the following bills:

S. 2136, to provide for the exchange of certain land in the State of Washington, after receiving testimony from Senator Murray; and William R. Brown, Plum Creek Timber Company, Rick McGuire, Alpine Lakes Protection Society, Norm Winn, Mountaineers, Charles Raines, Sierra Club, and Janine Blaeloch, Western Land Exchange Project, all of Seattle, Washington;

S. 2226, to amend the Idaho Admission Act regarding the sale or lease of school land, after receiving testimony from Senator Kempthorne; Douglas Dorn, on behalf of the Idaho Governor's Committee on Endowment Fund Investment Reform, and Anne C. Fox, Idaho State Department of Education, both of Boise; and Craig Gehrke, Wilderness Society, Washington, D.C.; and

H.R. 2886, to provide for a demonstration project in the Stanislaus National Forest, California, under which a private contractor will perform multiple resource management activities for that unit of the National Forest System, after receiving testimony from Representative Doolittle.

Testimony was also received on S. 2136, S. 2226, H.R. 2886 (all listed above), and H.R. 3796, to convey the administrative site for the Rogue River National Forest and use the proceeds for the construction or improvement of offices and support buildings for the Rogue River National Forest and the Bureau of Land Management from Gloria Manning, Associate Deputy Chief, National Forest Systems, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 263, to prohibit the import, export, sale, purchase, possession, transportation, acquisition, and receipt of bear viscera or products that contain or claim to contain bear viscera, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 361, to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to prohibit the sale, import, and export of products labeled as containing endangered species, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 659, to amend the Great Lakes Fish and Wildlife Restoration Act of 1990 to provide for implementation of recommendations of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service contained in the Great Lakes Fishery Restoration Study Report, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1883, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Marion National Fish Hatchery and the Claude Harris National Aquacultural Research Center to the State of Alabama, with an amendment;

S. 1970, to require the Secretary of the Interior to establish a program to provide assistance in the conservation of neotropical migratory birds, with an amendment;

S. 2094, to amend the Fish and Wildlife Improvement Act of 1978 to enable the Secretary of the Interior to more effectively use the proceeds of sales of certain items, with an amendment;

S. 2319, to authorize the use of receipts from the sale of migratory bird hunting and conservation stamps to promote additional stamp purchases;

S. 2244, to amend the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 to promote volunteer programs and community partnerships for the benefit of national wildlife refuges;

H.R. 1856, to amend the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a volunteer pilot project at one national wildlife refuge in each United States Fish and Wildlife Service region, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1700, to designate the headquarters building of the Department of Housing and Urban Development in Washington, District of Columbia, as the "Robert C. Weaver Federal Building";

H.R. 643, to designate the United States courthouse to be constructed at the corner of Superior and Huron Roads, in Cleveland, Ohio, as the "Carl B. Stokes United States Courthouse";

H.R. 3504, to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize appropriations for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and to further define the criteria for capital repair and operation and maintenance;

S. 1222, to catalyze restoration of estuary habitat through more efficient financing of projects and enhanced coordination of Federal and non-Federal restoration programs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nomination of Nikki Rush Tinsley, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Environmental Protection Agency.

Also, committee began markup of S. 2131, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

RETIREMENT SECURITY POLICY

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings to examine new directions in retirement security policy, focusing on the Administration's plans for Social Security reform, how

well Americans are planning for retirement, proposals to encourage employer-based pension plans and personal savings, the impact of the aging of America on economic growth, and the impact of Social Security reform on employer-sponsored retirement plans, personal savings, and earnings, receiving testimony from Robert E. Rubin, Secretary, and Lawrence Summers, Deputy Secretary, both of the Department of the Treasury; Kenneth S. Apfel, Commissioner, Social Security Administration; Rudolph G. Penner, Urban Institute, Kenneth W. Porter, ERISA Industry Committee, and Paul Yakoboski, Employee Benefit Research Institute, all of Washington, D.C.; and Sylvester J. Schieber, Watson Wyatt Worldwide, Bethesda, Maryland.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of David G. Carpenter, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Diplomatic Security, and to be Director of the Office of Foreign Missions, and to have the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service, Bert T. Edwards, of Maryland, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of State, and Jonathan H. Spalter, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Director (Bureau of Information) of the United States Information Agency, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 2112, to make the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 applicable to the United States Postal Service in the same manner as any other employer.

Also, committee began markup of S. 2213, to allow all States to participate in activities under the Education Flexibility Partnership Demonstration Act, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again on Wednesday, July 29.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Scott E. Thomas, of the District of Columbia, David M. Mason, of Virginia, Darryl R. Wold, of California, and Karl J. Sandstrom, of Washington, each to be a Member of the Federal Election Commission.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 17 public bills, H.R. 4296–4312; and 1 resolution, H.J. Res. 126, were introduced. **Page 16805**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 2281, to amend title 17, United States Code, to implement the World Intellectual Property Organization Copyright Treaty and Performances and Phonograms Treaty, amended (H. Rept. 105–551 part 2); and

H. Res. 508, providing for consideration of H.R. 4276, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–641). **Page 16805**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Quinn to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 16689**

China Most-Favored-Nation Status: The House failed to pass H.J. Res. 121, disapproving the extension of non-discriminatory treatment (most-favored-nation treatment) to the products of the People's Republic of China, by a recorded vote of 166 ayes to 264 noes, Roll No. 317. **Page 16693**

Suspension—Securities Litigation Standards: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 1689, debated on July 21, amended, to amend the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to limit the conduct of securities class actions under State law by a yea and nay vote of 340 yeas to 83 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 318. Subsequently, the House passed S. 1260, a similar Senate-passed bill after amending it to contain the text of H.R. 1689, as passed the House. H.R. 1689 was then laid on the table. **Page 16737**

Higher Education Amendments of 1998: The House disagreed with the Senate amendment to H.R. 6, to extend the authorization of programs under the Higher Education Act of 1965, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees for consideration of the House bill (except sec. 464), and the Senate amendment (except secs. 484 and 799C), and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Goodling, McKeon, Petri, Graham, Souder, Peterson (PA), Clay, Kildee, Martinez, and Andrews. For consideration of sec. 464 of the House bill, and secs. 484 and 799C of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Goodling, Talent, Shaw, Camp, Clay, and Levin. **Page 16739**

DoD Authorization: The House disagreed with the Senate amendments to H.R. 3616, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the De-

partment of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1999, and agreed to a conference. **Pages 16739**

Subsequently, the Speaker appointed conferees from the Committee on National Security for consideration of the House bill and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Spence, Stump, Hunter, Kasich, Bateman, Hansen, Weldon (PA), Hefley, Saxton, Buyer, Fowler, McHugh, Watts (OK), Thornberry, Chambliss, Jones, Pappas, Riley, Skelton, Sisisky, Spratt, Ortiz, Pickett, Evans, Taylor (MS), Abercrombie, Meehan, Harman, McHale, Kennedy (RI), Allen, Snyder, and Maloney (CT). From the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence for consideration of matters within the jurisdiction of that committee under clause 2 of rule XLVIII: Representatives Goss, Lewis (CA), and Dicks. From the Committee on Banking and Financial Services for consideration of sec. 1064 of the Senate amendment: Representatives Leach, Castle, and LaFalce. From the Committee on Commerce for consideration of secs. 601, 3136, 3151, 3154, 3201, 3401, and 3403–3407 of the House bill, and secs. 321, 601, 1062, 3133, 3140, 3142, 3144, 3201, and title XXXVIII of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Bliley, Schaefer, Dan, and Dingell. Provided that Representative Oxley is appointed in lieu of Mr. Dan Schaefer (CO) for consideration of sec. 321 of the Senate amendment. Provided that Representative Bilirakis is appointed in lieu of Representative Dan Schaefer (CO) for consideration of sec. 601 of the House bill, and sec. 601 of the Senate amendment. Provided that Representative Tauzin is appointed in lieu of Representative Dan Schaefer (CO) for consideration of sec. 1062 and Title XXXVIII of the Senate amendment. From the Committee on Education and the Workforce for consideration of secs. 361, 364, 551, and 3151 of the House bill, and secs. 522, 643, and 1055 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Petri, Riggs, and Roemer. from the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight for consideration of secs. 368, 29, 1025, 1042, and 1101–1106 of the House bill, and secs. 346, 623, 707, 805, 806, 813–816, 1101–1105, 3142, 3144, 3145, 3161–3172 and 3510 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Burton, Mica, and Waxman. Provided that Representative Horn is appointed in lieu of Representative Mica for consideration of sec. 368 of the House bill and secs. 346, 623, 707, 805, 806, and 813–816 of the Senate amendment. From the Committee on International Relations for consideration of secs. 233, 1021, 1043, 1044, 1201, 1204, 1205, 1210, 1211, 1213, 1216, and Title XIII of the House bill, and secs. 326, 332, 1013, 1041, 1042, 1074, 1084, 3506, 3601, 3602 and 3901–3904 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Gilman, Bereuter, and Hamilton. From the Committee on Inter-

national Relations for consideration of secs. 1207–1209, and 1212 of the House bill, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Gilman, Bereuter, Smith (NJ), Burton, Rohrabacher, Hamilton, Gejdenson, and Lantos. From the Committee on the Judiciary for consideration of secs. 1045 and 2812 of the House bill and sec. 1077 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Hyde, Bryant, and Conyers. From the Committee on Resources for consideration of secs. 601, 2812, and 3404–3407 of the House bill, and secs. 601, 2828, and Title XXIX of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Young (AK), Tauzin, and Miller (CA). From the Committee on Science for consideration of secs. 3135 and 3140 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Sensenbrenner, Calvert, and Brown (CA). From the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure for consideration of secs. 552, 601, 1411, and 1413 of the House bill, and secs. 323, 601, 604, and 1080 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Shuster, Boehlert, and Clement. From the Committee on Veterans' Affairs for consideration of secs. 556, and 1046 of the House bill, and secs. 618, 619, 644, and 1082 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Smith (NJ), Bilirakis, and Rodriguez. From the Committee on Ways and Means for consideration of Titles XXXVII and XXXVIII of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Crane, Thomas, and Matsui. **Pages 16739, 16778**

The House considered the Skelton motion to instruct conferees to insist upon the authorization levels provided in title II of the House bill for Theater Missile Defense programs and for space-based lasers. The vote on the motion was postponed until Thursday, July 23, 1998.

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Interior Appropriations: The House resumed consideration H.R. 4193, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. **Pages 16742, 16779**

Agreed To:

The Regula en bloc amendment that increases funding for fossil energy research by \$45 million and energy conservation by \$45 million; **Page 16742**

The Kildee amendment that makes a technical change relating to gaming regulations; **Page 16761**

The Miller of California amendment that prohibits the use of Knutson-Vandenberg funds to be used for indirect support activities (agreed to by a recorded vote of 236 ayes to 182 noes, Roll No. 320); **Pages 16749, 16761**

The Young of Alaska amendment that extends until October 1, 2000, a current moratorium on the Federal takeover of fisheries management of certain navigable waters owned by the State of Alaska; **Page 16762**

The Buyer amendment that prohibits any funds to be used to establish a national wildlife refuge in the Kankakee River watershed in northwestern Indiana and northeastern Illinois; **Page 16769**

Rejected:

The Parker amendment that sought to strike a provision that directs the Indian Health Service to allocate contract support costs on a pro-rata basis (rejected by a recorded vote of 135 ayes to 289 noes, Roll No. 319); **Pages 16744, 16761**

Withdrawn:

The Gilcrest amendment that sought to strike section 337 that excludes 36 acres in Florida from the Coastal Barrier Resources System. **Page 16780**

Pending:

The DeFazio amendment that strikes the provision that extends the recreational fee demonstration program for another 2 years; **Page 16763**

The McDermott amendment that strikes Section 333 dealing with the operation or implementation of the Interior Columbia Basin Ecosystem Management Project; **Page 16770**

The Hinchey amendment that strikes section 327 that grants Chugach Alaska Corporation an easement for public roads and related facilities that were conveyed to the corporation pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act; **Page 16781**

The Miller of California amendment that prohibits any funds to construct any road in the Tongass National Forest; and **Page 16785**

The Pappas amendment that increases the State side grant program of the land and water conservation fund by \$50 million. **Page 16789**

Agreed that during the further consideration of H.R. 4193 in the Committee of the Whole, no further amendments shall be in order. **Page 16791**

H. Res. 504, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to on July 21.

Presidential Message—Emergency Requirement Re IRS: Read a message from the President wherein he designated section 3309 of the IRS Restructuring and Reform Act as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 252 (e) of the Balanced Budget and Deficit Control Act—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. **Page 16779**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate appears on page 16689.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 16806.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One quorum call (Roll No. 316), one yea and nay vote, and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 16728, 16736, 16737, 16761, and 16762.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:59 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL TRADE—WESTERN HEMISPHERE MULTILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS

Committee on Agriculture: Held a hearing to review the 1999 Multilateral Negotiations on Agricultural Trade—Western Hemisphere. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the Transportation appropriations for fiscal year 1999.

CONDUCT OF MONETARY POLICY

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy held a hearing on the Conduct of Monetary Policy. Testimony was heard from Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System.

MORTGAGE LENDING DISCLOSURES REQUIREMENTS REFORMS

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit and the Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity held a joint hearing on the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act, the Truth in Lending Act, and reforms to mortgage lending disclosure requirements. Testimony was heard from Edward M. Gramlich, member, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; and Gail W. Laster, General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development.

WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3844, Wireless Communications and Public Safety Act of 1998.

FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT AMENDMENTS; DEPOSITION AUTHORITY

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Ordered reported amended H.R. 4257, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to permit certain youth to perform certain work with wood products.

The Committee also adopted a motion to adopt rules regarding deposition authority.

MEDICARE HOME HEALTH AGENCIES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing on Medicare Home Health Agencies: Still No Surety Against Fraud and Abuse. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human

Services: Penny Thompson, Director, Program Integrity, Health Care Financing Administration; and George W. Grob, Deputy Inspector General; and public witnesses.

DRUG TREATMENT PROGRAMS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Security, International Affairs, and Criminal Justice held a hearing on Drug Treatment Programs: Making Treatment Work. Testimony was heard from Marsha Blanton, M.D., Associate Director, GAO; Donald Vereen, M.D., Deputy Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Favorably considered the following measures and adopted a motion urging the Chairman to request that they be considered on the Suspension Calendar: H. Con. Res. 292, amended, calling for an end to the recent conflict between Eritrea and Ethiopia; H.R. 4283, Africa Seeds of Hope Act of 1998; H. Res. 415, to promote independent radio broadcasting in Africa; H.R. 3743, amended, Iran Nuclear Proliferation Prevention Act of 1998; H. Res. 362, amended, commending the visit of His Holiness Pope John Paul II to Cuba; and H. Res. 475, recognizing the importance of achieving the goal of the 1997 Microcredit Summit to provide access to microcredit to 100,000 of the world's poorest families.

U.S. TRADE DEFICIT

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade held a hearing on The U.S. and its Trade Deficit: Restoring the Balance. Testimony was heard from David Aaron, Under Secretary, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

HATE CRIMES PREVENTION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Held a hearing on H.R. 3081, Hate Crimes Prevention Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Bill Lann Lee, Acting Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

LETHAL DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 4006, Lethal Drug Abuse Prevention Act of 1998.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 1042, amended, to amend the Illinois and Michigan Canal Heritage Corridor Act of 1984 to extend the Illinois and Michigan Canal Heritage Corridor Commission; H.R. 2223, amended, Education Land Grant Act; H.R. 3047, to authorize expansion of Fort Davis National Historic Site in Fort Davis, Texas; H.R. 3055, amended, to deem the activities of the Miccosukee Tribe

on the Tamiami Indian Reservation to be consistent with the purposes of the Everglades National Park; H.R. 3109, amended, Thomas Cole National Historic Site Act; H.R. 3498, amended, Dungeness Crab Conservation and Management Act; H.R. 3625, amended, San Rafael Swell National Heritage and Conservation Act; H.R. 3903, amended, Glacier Bay National Park Boundary Adjustment Act of 1998; and H.R. 4284, to authorize the Government of India to establish a memorial to honor Mahatma Gandhi in the District of Columbia.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, THE JUDICIARY AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing for 1 hour of debate on H.R. 4276, making appropriations for the Department of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. The rule waives points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with clause 2(I)(6) of rule XI (requiring a three-day layover of the committee report), clause 7 of rule XXI (requiring relevant printed hearings and reports to be available for three-days prior to the consideration of a general appropriations bill) and section 401(a) of the Budget Act (prohibiting consideration of legislation, as reported, providing new contract, borrowing or credit authority that is not limited to amounts provided in appropriation acts).

The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations and legislative provisions in an appropriations bill) and clause 6 (prohibiting reappropriations in a general appropriations bill) of rule XXI.

The rule provides for consideration of the amendments printed in the Rules Committee report, which may only be offered by a Member designated in the report and only at the appropriate point in the reading in the bill, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified and shall not be subject to further amendment or to a demand for a division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the Rules Committee report.

The rule permits the Chairman of the Whole to accord priority in recognition to those Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record prior to their consideration. The rule allows the Chairman to postpone recorded votes and to reduce to five minutes the voting time on any postponed question provided that the voting time on the first in any series of questions is not less than 15 minutes. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Rogers, Callahan, Miller of Florida, Saxton, Hutchinson, Molloy and Meek of Florida.

MANDATORY DRUG TESTING—MEMBERS, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE HOUSE

Committee on Rules: Held a hearing on H. Res. 503, amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to provide for mandatory drug testing of Members, officers, and employees of the House of Representatives. Testimony was heard from Representative Barton of Texas, Paul, Coburn, Weldon of Florida, and Sessions.

ELECTRIC UTILITY INDUSTRY RESTRUCTURING—SMALL BUSINESS COMMUNITY IMPACT

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform and Paperwork held a hearing on the potential impacts on the small business community of restructuring the electric utility industry. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FILIPINO VETERANS BENEFITS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held a hearing on benefits for Filipino veterans. Testimony was heard from Representatives Gilman, Cunningham, Abernethy, Mink, Pelosi, Campbell and Millender-McDonald; Joseph Thompson, Under Secretary, Benefits, Department of Veterans Affairs; Dennis Snook, Specialist on Social Legislation, Education and Public Welfare Division, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; David Pendleton, member, House of Representatives, State of Hawaii; representatives of veterans organizations; and public witnesses.

SSA—LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security held a hearing to examine labor-management relations at the SSA. Testimony was heard from James G. Hughes, Jr., Acting Inspector General, SSA.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to consider pending Committee business.

COUNTERINTELLIGENCE

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Human Intelligence, Analysis, and Counterintelligence met in executive session to hold a hearing on Counterintelligence. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE/TRIBAL TRUST FUND SETTLEMENT

Joint Hearing:

Senate Committee on Indian Affairs and the House Committee on Resources concluded joint hearings on the following bills:

S. 1770, to elevate the position of Director of the Indian Health Service to Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services, and to provide for the organizational independence of the Indian Health Service within the Department of Health and Human Services, after receiving testimony from Kevin L. Thurm, Deputy Secretary of Health and Human Services; Julia A. Davis, Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board, Portland, Oregon; and Buford L. Rolin, National Indian Health Board, Denver, Colorado; and

H.R. 3782, to compensate certain Indian tribes for known errors in their tribal trust fund accounts, and to establish a process for settling other disputes regarding tribal trust fund accounts, after receiving testimony from Kevin Gover, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs; Roland Johnson, Pueblo of Laguna, Laguna, New Mexico; Mark N. Fox, Intertribal Monitoring Association on Indian Trust Funds, Albuquerque, New Mexico; and Robert M. Perego, Native American Rights Fund, Boulder, Colorado.

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Six bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2345–2350, and S. Con. Res. 109. **Page 16935**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Special Report entitled "Slamming"—The Authorized Switching of Long-Distance Telephone Service. (S. Rept. No. 105–259)

S. 1699, to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel BILLIE-B-II. (S. Rept. No. 105–260)

S. 1731, to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel FALLS POINT. (S. Rept. No. 105–261)

S. 1732, to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel VESTERHAVEN, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 105–262) **Page 16931**

Measures Passed:

Commerce, Justice, State Appropriations, 1999: By a unanimous vote of 99 yeas (Vote No. 234), Senate passed S. 2260, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, after taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 16827, 16968**

Adopted:

By 90 yeas to 10 nays (Vote No. 229), Kyl/Bryan Amendment No. 3266, to prohibit Internet gambling. **Page 16827**

Gregg (for DeWine) Amendment No. 3274, to authorize the local law enforcement block grant program. **Page 16838**

Gregg/Hollings Amendment No. 3277, relating to the delivery of digital signals in certain areas. **Page 16847**

Gregg/Hollings Amendment No. 3278, relating to the operation of a diplomatic facility in Jerusalem. **Page 16847**

Subsequently, the amendment was modified. **Page 16895**

Gregg/Hollings Amendment No. 3279, to establish a whale conservation fund. **Page 16847**

By 53 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 230), Nickles Amendment No. 3272, to amend certain criminal laws relating to the compensation of attorneys. **Pages 16835, 16850**

Bingaman/Domenici Modified Amendment No. 3273, to prohibit from trademark the flag, coat of arms or other insignia of any federally-recognized Indian tribes. **Pages 16836, 16851**

Kerry Amendment No. 3276, to condition the availability of funds for United States diplomatic and consular posts in Vietnam. (By 34 yeas to 66 nays (Vote No. 231), Senate earlier failed to table the amendment.) **Pages 16843, 16850**

By 98 yeas to 2 nays (Vote No. 232), Lieberman Amendment No. 3280, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the impact of Japan's recession on the economies of East and Southeast Asia and the United States. **Page 16848**

Gregg (for Bumpers) Amendment No. 3281, to eliminate the potential for fraud in the investor visa program. **Page 16851**

By 68 yeas to 31 nays (Vote No. 233), Smith (of Oregon) Modified Amendment No. 3258, to establish a system of registries of temporary agricultural workers to provide for a sufficient supply of such workers and to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to streamline procedures for the admission and extension of stay of non-immigrant agricultural workers. **Pages 16852, 16894**

Feinstein Amendment No. 3282 (to Amendment No. 3258), relating to a cap on the number of H2-A visas. **Page 16862**

Kennedy Amendment No. 3283 (to Amendment No. 3258), to establish implementation procedures.

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Gregg/Hollings Amendment No. 3284, to make technical corrections.

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Gregg (for Moseley-Braun) Amendment No. 3285, to prohibit the publication of identifying information relating to a minor for criminal sexual purposes.

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Gregg (for Dodd) Amendment No. 3286, to require Internet access providers to make available Internet screening software.

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Gregg (for Specter/Santorum/Durbin) Amendment No. 3287, to move Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania from the Eastern District to the Middle District of Pennsylvania.

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Gregg (for Byrd) Amendment No. 3288, to require a report regarding the analysis of the United States Trade Representative with respect to any subsidies provided by the Government of the Republic of Korea to Hanbo Steel.

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Gregg (for Murkowski/Stevens) Amendment No. 3289, to prohibit the use of funds for the enforcement in fiscal year 1999 of certain regulations regarding the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (GMDSS) with respect to United States fishing industry vessels.

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Gregg (for Kyl) Amendment No. 3290, to provide for the payment of special masters for civil actions concerning prison conditions.

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Gregg (for Kyl) Amendment No. 3291 to provide for the waiver of fees for the processing of certain visas for certain Mexico citizens and to require the continuing processing of applications for visas in certain Mexico cities.

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Gregg (for Graham) Amendment No. 3292, to require a study and report on the adequacy of processing non-immigrant visas by United States consular posts.

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Gregg (for Lott) Amendment No. 3293, to provide funds to establish an international center for response to chemical, biological, and nuclear weapons.

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Gregg (for Biden) Amendment No. 3294, relating to arrearage payments to the United Nations.

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Subsequently the amendment was modified.

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Gregg (for Kohl) Amendment No. 3295, to provide for reviews of criminal records of applicants for employment in nursing facilities and home health care agencies.

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Gregg (for Gorton) Amendment No. 3296, to prohibit the use of funds for foreign travel or foreign communications by officers and employees of the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice.

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Gregg (for Landrieu) Amendment No. 3297, to exempt orphans adopted by United States citizens from grounds of removal.

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Gregg (for D'Amato) Amendment No. 3298, to prevent disclosure of personal and financial information of corrections officers in certain civil actions until a verdict regarding liability has been rendered.

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Gregg (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 3299, to allow continued helicopter procurement by the Border Patrol.

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Gregg (for Reed) Amendment No. 3300, to extend temporary protected status for certain nationals of Liberia.

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Gregg (for Leahy) Amendment No. 3301, to provide for the adjustment of status of certain asylees in Guam.

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Gregg (for Hatch) Amendment No. 3302, to focus resources of the Department of Justice on prosecuting violations of federal gun laws.

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Gregg (for Kerrey) Amendment No. 3303, relating to information infrastructure grants of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration.

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Gregg (for Moseley-Braun) Amendment No. 3304, to clarify the conditions under which export controls may be imposed on agricultural products.

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Gregg (for Hutchison) Amendment No. 3305, to make funds available for Student Incentive Payments.

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Gregg (for Dorgan) Amendment No. 3306, to require certain new employees in the Office of the United States Trade Representative to work exclusively on investigating the acts, policies, and practices of the Canadian Wheat Board and whether the acts, policies, or practices cause material injury to the United States grain industry.

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Gregg (for Torricelli) Amendment No. 3307, to preserve and enhance local FM radio service for underserved countries.

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Gregg (for Abraham) Amendment No. 3308, to provide for a study of sediment control at Grand Marais, Michigan.

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Gregg (for Brownback) Amendment No. 3309, to establish certain limitations with respect to build-out and moving costs of the Patent and Trademark Office.

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Gregg (for Hatch) Amendment No. 3310, to require that reports submitted to the Committee on Appropriations concerning matters within the jurisdiction of the Committee on the Judiciary also be submitted to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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Gregg (for Biden) Amendment No. 3311, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to eliminate, for alien battered spouses and children, certain restrictions rendering them ineligible to apply for adjustment of sta-

tus, suspension of deportation, and cancellation of removal. **Pages 16865, 16875**

Gregg (for Durbin) Amendment No. 3312, to amend the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 to ensure greater protection of elderly women. **Pages 16865, 16875**

Gregg (for Brownback) Amendment No. 3313, to modify the membership of the Federal-State Joint Board on universal service. **Pages 16865, 16877**

Gregg (for Torricelli) Amendment No. 3314, to provide for the nonpoint pollution control program of the Coastal Zone Management program of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. **Pages 16865, 16877**

Gregg (for Lautenberg) Amendment No. 3315, to provide additional funds for violent crime reduction programs. **Pages 16865, 16878**

Gregg (for Feingold) Amendment No. 3316, to provide for sentencing enhancements and amendments to the Federal Sentencing Guidelines for offenses relating to the abuse and exploitation of children. **Pages 16865, 16878**

Gregg (for Stevens) Amendment No. 3317, of a technical nature. **Pages 16865, 16879**

Gregg (for Lautenberg) Amendment No. 3318, to provide for funding for a firearm violation demonstration project. **Pages 16865, 16879**

Gregg (for Grams) Amendment No. 3319, to require the submission in advance of a certification to Congress before certain funds are disbursed for contributions to the United Nations. **Pages 16865, 16879**

Gregg (for Grams) Amendment No. 3320, to provide for a ban on extradition or transfer of United States citizens to the International Criminal Court. **Pages 16865, 16879**

Gregg (for Grams) Amendment No. 3321, to prohibit the availability of funds for the International Criminal Court unless the agreement establishing the Court is submitted to the Senate for its advice and consent to ratification as a treaty. **Pages 16865, 16879**

Gregg (for Durbin) Amendment No. 3322, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act with respect to the requirements for the admission of nonimmigrant nurses who will practice in health professional shortage areas. **Page 16894**

Rejected:

By 18 yeas to 82 nays (Vote No. 228), Craig Modified Amendment No. 3268 (to Amendment No. 3266), to clarify that Indian gaming is subject to Federal jurisdiction. **Page 16827**

Withdrawn:

Kerrey/Hagel Amendment No. 3275, to prohibit the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency from implementing or enforcing the public water system treatment requirements related to the copper action level of the national primary drinking water regulations for lead and copper until certain studies are completed. **Page 16838**

Also, Amendment No. 3261, agreed to on Wednesday, July, 22, 1998, was further modified. **Page 16864**

African Elephant Conservation Authorization: Senate passed H.R. 39, to reauthorize the African Elephant Conservation Act, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 16968**

Florida Wild Land Fires: Committee on Environment and Public Works was discharged from further consideration of H. Con. Res. 298, expressing deepest condolences to the State and people of Florida for the losses suffered as a result of the wild land fires occurring in June and July 1998, expressing support to the State and people of Florida as they overcome the effects of the fires, and commending the heroic efforts of firefighters from across the Nation in battling the fires, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page 16968**

Transportation Appropriations, 1999: Senate began consideration of S. 2307, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 16902, 16908**

Adopted:

Shelby (for Frist) Modified Amendment No. 3323, to require the Secretary of Transportation to ensure that there is sufficient signage directing visitors to cemeteries of the National Cemetery System. **Page 16924**

Shelby/Lautenberg Amendment No. 3324, to improve the bill. **Page 16905**

McConnell Amendment No. 3326, to provide for expedited judicial review of constitutional claims with respect to the Transportation Equity Act. **Page 16909**

DeWine Amendment No. 3327, to provide additional resources for the United States Coast Guard for drug interdiction efforts around the island of Hispaniola. **Page 16922**

Shelby (for McCain) Amendment No. 3328, to ensure that the policies and goals of the Amtrak Reform and Accountability Act of 1997 will be met. **Page 16923**

Shelby (for Specter) Amendment No. 3329, to clarify Delaware River Port Authority toll collection authority. **Page 16923**

Shelby/Lautenberg Amendment No. 3330, relating to certain transportation issues. **Page 16924**

Shelby (for Johnson) Amendment No. 3331, to provide for the use of funds for the costs of biodiesel fuels. **Page 16924**

Shelby (for Durbin) Amendment No. 3332, to prohibit smoking on scheduled domestic and foreign airline flight segments taking off from or landing in the United States. **Page 16924**

Shelby (for Burns) Amendment No. 3333, relating to hazardous material transportation laws. **Page 16924**

Shelby (for Lautenberg/Kerry) Amendment No. 3334, to place certain requirements on the Federal Aviation Administration. **Page 16924**

Shelby (for D'Amato) Amendment No. 3335, to require the National Transportation Safety Board to reimburse the State of New York and local counties in New York for certain costs associated with the crash of TWA Flight 800. **Page 16925**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for a vote on passage of the bill to occur on Friday, July 24, 1998, at 9:15 a.m. **Page 16925**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that following passage of S. 2307, and upon receipt of the House companion measure, that all after the enacting clause be stricken and the text of S. 2307, as passed by the Senate, be inserted in lieu thereof, that the House bill be passed, that the Senate insist on its amendment, request a conference with the House thereon, the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate, and that the passage of S. 2307 be vitiated, and the bill be indefinitely postponed. **Page 16925**

Federal Credit Union Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of H.R. 1151, to amend the Federal Credit Union Act to clarify existing law with regard to the field of membership of Federal credit unions, to preserve the integrity and purpose of Federal credit unions, and to enhance supervisory oversight of insured credit unions, on Friday, July 24, 1998. **Page 16969**

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Record Votes: Seven record votes were taken today. (Total—234)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 9:14 p.m., until 9:15 a.m., on Friday, July 24, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 16970.)

Committee Meetings

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Patrick T. Henry, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of the Army for Manpower and Re-

serve Affairs, Carolyn H. Becraft, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, and Ruby Butler DeMesme, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Manpower, Reserve Affairs, Installations and Environment, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Ms. DeMesme was introduced by Senator Glenn.

SOCIAL SECURITY REFORM

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded hearings to examine long-term economic and budgetary effects of Social Security reform, after receiving testimony from Martin S. Feldstein, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts; and Rudolph G. Penner, Urban Institute, and Henry J. Aaron, Brookings Institution, both of Washington, D.C.

BOXING REFORM

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings on S. 2238, to reform unfair and anticompetitive practices in the professional boxing industry, after receiving testimony from James Nave and Marc Ratner, both of the Nevada State Athletic Commission, and Eddie Futch, all of Las Vegas, Nevada; Larry Hazard, New Jersey State Athletic Control Board, Trenton; Walter R. Stone, Adler, Pollock & Sheehan, Providence, Rhode Island, on behalf of the International Boxing Federation; and Jose Sulaiman, World Boxing Council, Colonia Juarez, Mexico.

ARCTIC NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE RESOURCES

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded oversight hearings to review the process and the results of the recent United States Geological Survey assessment of oil and gas resources for onshore areas of Federal lands, in State of Alaska waters, and on private Native lands within the boundaries of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge 1002 Area, after receiving testimony from Thomas J. Casadevall, Acting-Director, and Kenneth J. Bird and David W. Houseknecht, both Geologists, all of the U.S. Geological Survey, Department of the Interior; and Kenneth A. Boyd, Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Anchorage.

LAND EXCHANGE/HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation concluded hearings on the following bills:

S. 2109, to authorize an exchange of lands in Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve in Alaska, after receiving testimony from Richard Levitt, Gustavus Electric Company, Gustavus, Alaska;

S. 2257 and H.R. 1522, bills authorizing funds through fiscal year 2004 for the National Historic Preservation Fund, after receiving testimony from Virginia State Historic Preservation Officer H. Alexander Wise,

Jr., Richmond, on behalf of the National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers; and Edward M. Norton, Jr., National Trust for Historic Preservation, and Susan West Montgomery, Preservation Action, both of Washington, D.C.

S. 2276, to designate El Camino Real de los Tejas as a National Historic Trail, after receiving testimony from Thomas H. Eubanks, Louisiana Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, Baton Rouge; and

S. 2284, to establish the Minuteman Missile National Historic Site in the State of South Dakota, after receiving testimony from Tim J. Pavak, Minuteman II Deactivation Program, Ellsworth Air Force Base, South Dakota.

Testimony was also received on S. 2109, S. 2257, H.R. 1522, S. 2276, and S. 2284 (all listed above), and S. 2272, to amend the boundaries of the Grant-Kohrs Ranch National Historic Site in the State of Montana from Maureen Finnerty, Associate Director, Operations, National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee continued markup of S. 2131, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again on Wednesday, July 29.

FEMA REFORM

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Clean Air, Wetlands, Private Property, and Nuclear Safety concluded hearings on proposals to reform the Federal Emergency Management Agency, after receiving testimony from James L. Witt, Director, Federal Emergency Management Agency; Mayor Hal Daub, Omaha, Nebraska, on behalf of the National League of Cities; Joseph F. Myers, Florida Division of Emergency Management, Tallahassee, on behalf of the National Emergency Management Association; Albert Ashwood, Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management, Oklahoma City; and Dan Summers, New Hanover County Department of Emergency Management, Wilmington, North Carolina.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. Con. Res. 82, expressing the sense of Congress concerning the worldwide trafficking of persons, that has a disproportionate impact on women and girls, and is condemned by the international community as a violation of fundamental human rights, with amendments;

S. Con. Res. 103, expressing the sense of the Congress in support of the recommendations of the International Commission of Jurists on Tibet and on United States policy with regard to Tibet, with amendments;

An original bill to provide authorities with respect to the transfer of excess defense articles and the transfer of naval vessels under the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 and the Arms Export Control Act;

S.J. Res. 54, finding the Government of Iraq in unacceptable and material breach of its international obligations, with an amendment;

The Amended Protocol on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the use of Mines, Booby-Traps and Other Devices (Protocol II or the amended Mines Protocol). (Protocols to the 1980 Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects) (Treaty Doc. 105-1), with 1 reservation, 9 understandings, and 14 conditions; and

The nominations of David G. Carpenter, of Virginia, for the rank of Ambassador while serving as Director of the Office of Foreign Missions, and to be Assistant Secretary of State for Diplomatic Security, John Bruce Craig, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Sultanate of Oman, Bert T. Edwards, of Maryland, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of State, Richard E. Hecklinger, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Thailand, James Howard Holmes, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Latvia, Charles F. Kartman, of Virginia, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Special Envoy for the Korean Peace Talks, Theodore H. Kattouf, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the United Arab Emirates, Elizabeth Davenport McKune, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the State of Qatar, Steven Robert Mann, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Turkmenistan, William B. Milam, of California, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, Hugh Q. Parmer, of Texas, to be Assistant Administrator for Humanitarian Response, Agency for International Development, David Michael Satterfield, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Lebanon, Arthur Louis Schechter, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Commonwealth of The Bahamas, Jonathan H. Spalter, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Director (Bureau of Information), United States Information Agency, Richard Nelson Swett, of New Hampshire, to be Ambassador to Denmark, Melissa Foelsch Wells, of Connecticut, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Estonia, Mary Beth West, of the District of Columbia, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Oceans, Fisheries and Space, and two Foreign Service Officer promotion lists received by the Senate on June 18, 1998 and July 15, 1998, respectively.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Robert C. Felder, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Benin, James Vela Ledesma, of California, to be Ambassador to the Gabonese

Republic and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe, Joseph H. Melrose Jr., of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Sierra Leone, George Mu, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Cote d'Ivoire, Robert Cephas Perry, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Central African Republic, Joseph Gerard Sullivan, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Angola, William Lacy Swing, of North Carolina, to be Ambassador to the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Kathryn Dee Robinson, of Tennessee, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Ghana, George McDade Staples, of Kentucky, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Rwanda, and John Melvin Yates, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Cameroon, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Sullivan was introduced by Representative Ballenger, Ms. Robinson was introduced by Senator Frist, and Mr. Yates was introduced by Senator Moynihan.

INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations concluded hearings to examine whether a proposed United Nations international criminal court is in the national interest of the United States, after receiving testimony from David J. Scheffer, Ambassador-at-Large for War Crimes Issues, Department of State; and John R. Bolton, American Enterprise Institute, former Assistant Secretary of State for International Organization Affairs, and Lee A. Casey and David B. Rivkin, Jr., both of Hunton & Williams, all of Washington, D.C.

TELEPHONE CRAMMING

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations concluded hearings to examine incidents of the fraudulent practice of telephone cramming, the billing of unauthorized services on a consumer's telephone bill, after receiving testimony from Lawrence E. Strickling, Deputy Chief, Common Carrier Bureau, Federal Communications Commission; Eileen Harrington, Associate Director for Marketing Practices, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission; Susan Grant, National Consumers League, Washington, D.C.; and Roy M. Neel, United States Telephone Association.

SOFTWARE INDUSTRY

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings to examine the current status of, and prospects for, competition and innovation in certain segments of the software industry, focusing on the future direction of business and Internet-related software and the extent to which competition and innovation may be suppressed by existing and/or potential monopoly power, and what basic principles of fair competition are necessary to facilitate continued growth and innovation in the software industry,

after receiving testimony from Robert Glaser, Real Networks, Seattle, Washington; Lawrence J. Ellison, Oracle Corporation, Redwood Shores, California; Mitchell Kertzman, Sybase Inc., Emeryville, California; Jeffrey Papows, Lotus Development Corporation, Cambridge, Massachusetts; and Michael Jeffress, Television Host, Inc., Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Ida L. Castro, of New York, and Paul M. Igasaki, of California, each to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Ms. Castro was introduced by Senator D'Amato.

MEDICAL INDUSTRY Y2K COMPLIANCE

Special Committee on the Year 2000 Technology Problem: Committee concluded hearings to examine the potential impact of the Year 2000 technology information problem on the medical industry, focusing on the health industry's progress in preparing for Y2K, and its effect on data systems holding medical records and payment systems, medical devices for diagnostic testing, and patient monitors and life support systems, after receiving testimony from Kenneth W. Kizer, Under Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Health; Kevin L. Thurm, Deputy Secretary, Michael A. Friedman, Acting Commissioner, Food and Drug Administration, and Nancy-Ann Min DeParle, Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, all of the Department of Health and Human Services; Daniel S. Nutkis, Odin Group, Nashville, Tennessee; Jennifer Jackson, Connecticut Hospital Association, Hartford, on behalf of the American Hospital Association; Donald J. Palmisano, New Orleans, Louisiana, on behalf of the American Medical Association; Ramin Mojdeh, Guidant Corporation, Indianapolis, Indiana, on behalf of the Health Industry Manufacturers Association; Gil R. Glover, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas, Dallas, on behalf of the Blue Cross Blue Shield Association; and Joel Ackerman, Rx2000 Solutions Institute, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 12 public bills, H.R. 4313–4325; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 305–307, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Report on the revised Suballocation of Budget Totals for fiscal year 1999 (H. Rept. 105–642); and

H. Res. 509, providing for consideration of H.R. 4250, to provide new patient protections under group health plans (H. Rept. 105-643). **Page 17066**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Emerson to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 16971**

DoD Authorization Conference: Agreed to the Skelton motion to instruct conferees to insist upon the authorization levels provided in title II of the House bill for Theater Missile Defense programs and for space-based lasers by a ye and nay vote of 424 yeas with none voting "nay" and 1 voting "present", Roll No. 322. **Page 16984**

Subsequently, agreed to the Spence motion to close portions of the conference when classified information is under consideration, by a ye and nay vote of 412 yeas to 5 nays, Roll No. 323. **Page 16984**

Partial-Birth Abortion Ban—Veto Override: The House voted to override the President's veto of H.R. 1122, to amend title 18, United States Code, to ban partial-birth abortions, by a ye and nay vote of 296 yeas to 132 nays, Roll No. 325. **Page 16985**

Earlier agreed to discharge the Committee on the Judiciary from further consideration of H.R. 1122 by a ye and nay vote of 295 yeas to 131 nays, Roll No. 321. **Page 16975**

Military Construction Appropriations: The House disagreed with the Senate amendment to H.R. 4059, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and agreed to a conference. **Page 16995**

Appointed as conferees: Representatives Packard, Porter, Hobson, Wicker, Kingston, Parker, Tiahrt, Wamp, Livingston, Hefner, Olver, Edwards, Cramer, Dicks, and Obey. **Page 16995**

Interior Appropriations: The House passed H.R. 4193, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, by a ye and nay vote of 245 yeas to 181 nays, Roll No. 331. **Page 16996**

The Obey motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations with Instructions to report it back with an amendment limiting funds made available unless Representative Sidney R. Yates stands for election to the 106th Congress from the 9th District of Illinois was offered and subsequently withdrawn. **Page 17000**

Rejected:

The DeFazio amendment that sought to strike the provision that extends the recreational fee demonstration program for another 2 years (rejected by a recorded vote of 81 yeas to 341 noes, Roll No. 326); **Page 16996**

The McDermott amendment that sought to strike Section 333 dealing with the operation or implementation of the Interior Columbia Basin Ecosystem Management

Project (rejected by a recorded vote of 202 yeas to 221 noes, Roll No. 327); **Page 16997**

The Hinchey amendment that sought to strike section 327 that grants Chugach Alaska Corporation an easement for public roads and related facilities that were conveyed to the corporation pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (rejected by a recorded vote of 176 yeas to 249 noes, Roll No. 328); **Page 16997**

The Miller of California amendment that sought to prohibit any funds to construct any road in the Tongass National Forest (rejected by a recorded vote of 186 yeas to 237 noes with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 329); and **Page 16998**

The Pappas amendment that sought to increase the State side grant program of the land and water conservation fund by \$50 million (rejected by a recorded vote of 139 yeas to 285 noes, Roll No. 330). **Page 16999**

H. Res. 504, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to on July 21.

VA, HUD Appropriations: The House resumed consideration of amendments to H.R. 4194, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. **Page 17001**

Agreed To:

The Obey amendment that specifies that any limitation on funding to EPA or the Council on Environmental Quality shall not apply to educational outreach or informational seminars (agreed to by a recorded vote of 226 yeas to 198 noes, Roll No. 332); **Page 17001**

Rejected:

The Waxman amendment that sought to specify that any limitation on funds to EPA or the Council on Environmental Quality shall not apply to regulatory determinations for mercury emissions, dredging as a remediation tool, and implementation of the Food Quality Protection Act, Regional Haze Program, or cleanup requirements for facilities licensed by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (rejected by a recorded vote of 176 yeas to 243 noes, Roll No. 334); **Page 17027**

Pending:

The Roemer amendment numbered 5 printed in the Congressional Record that seeks to cancel funding for the International Space Station. **Page 17048**

H. Res. 501, the rule that is providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to on July 16.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 17067.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two quorum calls (Roll No. 324 and Roll No. 333), five ye and nay votes, and seven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 16983, 16984, 16989,

16995, 16996, 16997, 16998, 16999, 17001, 17008, 17024.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 1:16 a.m. on Friday, July 24.

Committee Meetings

AMERICAN HOMEOWNERSHIP ACT

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity held a hearing on H.R. 3899, American Homeownership Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FEDERAL WORKPLACE DRUG-TESTING PROGRAMS

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on the Department of Health and Human Services' Policy for Federal Workplace Drug-Testing Programs. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Joseph Autry, M.D., Director, Division of Workplace Programs, Center for Substance Abuse Prevention, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration; Edward J. Cone, M.D., Acting Chief, Clinical Pharmacology Branch, Intramural Research Programs, National Institute on Drug Abuse, NIH; and Donald Bruce Burlington, M.D., Director, Center for Devices and Radiological Health, FDA; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 4237, amended, to amend the District of Columbia Convention Center and Sports Arena Authorization Act of 1995 to revise the revenues and activities covered under such Act; H.R. 2508, amended, to provide for the conveyance of Federal land in San Joaquin County, CA, to the city of Tracy, CA; H.R. 4243, amended, to reduce waste, fraud, and error in Government programs by making improvements with respect to Federal management and debt collection practices, Federal payment systems, and Federal benefit programs; H.R. 4244, amended, Federal Procurement System Performance Measurement and Acquisition Workforce Training Act of 1998; H.R. 3725, amended, Postal Service Health and Safety Promotion Act; H.R. 2526, to amend title 5, United States Code, to make the percentage limitations on individual contributions to the Thrift Savings Plan more consistent with the dollar amount limitation on elective deferrals; H.R. 2566, amended, Civil Service Retirement System Actuarial Redeposit Act of 1997; H.R. 2943, to amend title 5, United States Code, to increase the amount of leave time available to a Federal employee in any year in connection with serving as an organ donor; H.R. 4259, Haskell Indians Nations University and Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute Administrative Systems Act of 1998; H.R. 4280, amended, to provide for greater access to child care services for Fed-

eral employees; H.R. 2623, to designate the United States Post Office located at 16250 Highway 603 in Kiln, Mississippi, as the "Ray J. Favre Post Office Building"; H.R. 3167, to designate the United States Post Office located at 297 Larkfield Road in East Northport, New York, as the "Jerome Anthony Ambro, Jr. Post Office Building"; H.R. 4052, to establish designations for United States Postal Service buildings located in Coconut Grove, Opa Locka, Carol City, and Miami, Florida; H.R. 3810, to designate the United States Post Office located at 202 Center Street in Garwood, New Jersey, as the "James T. Leonard, Sr. Post Office"; H.R. 3939, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 658 63rd Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "Edgar C. Campbell, Sr., Post Office Building"; H.R. 3999, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 5209 Greene Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "David P. Richardson, Jr., Post Office Building"; H.R. 4000, amended, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 400 Edgmont Avenue, Chester, Pennsylvania, as the "Thomas P. Foglietta Post Office Building"; H.R. 4001, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 2601 North 16th Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "Roxanne H. Jones Post Office Building"; H.R. 4002, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 5300 West Jefferson Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "Freeman Hankins Post Office Building"; and H.R. 4003, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 2037 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "Max Weiner Post Office Building".

The Committee also approved the following draft report entitled: "Making the Federal Government Accountable: Enforcing the Mandate for Effective Financial Management".

EXPECTANT MOTHERS AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Security, International Affairs, and Criminal Justice held a hearing on Expectant Mothers and Substance Abuse: Intervention and Treatment Challenges for State Governments. Testimony was heard from Representative Latham; the following officials of the State of South Carolina: Charles Condon, Attorney General; and Catherine Christophillis, Director, Drug Prosecution; Joanne Huelsman, Senator, State of Wisconsin; and public witnesses.

KOSOVO—CURRENT SITUATION AND FUTURE OPTIONS

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on Kosovo—Current Situation and Future Options. Testimony was heard from Ambassador Robert Gelbard, Special Representative of the President and the Secretary of State for Implementation of the Dayton Peace Accords,

Department of State; and Walter Slocombe, Under Secretary, Policy, Department of Defense.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 4049, Regulatory Fair Warning Act of 1998; and H.R. 4096, Taxpayer's Defense Act. Testimony was heard from Joseph N. Onek, Principal Deputy Associate Attorney General, Department of Justice; Christopher McLean, Deputy Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—U.S. COPYRIGHT OFFICE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property held an oversight hearing on the United States Copyright Office. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Copyright Office of the United States, Library of Congress: Marybeth Peters, Register of Copyrights; and Shira Perlmutter, Associate Register, Policy and International Affairs.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE; PRIVATE IMMIGRATION BILLS; OVERSIGHT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3843, to grant a Federal charter to the American GI Forum of the United States.

The Subcommittee approved private immigration bills.

The Subcommittee also held an oversight hearing on Alternative Technologies for Implementation of Section 110 of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1997 at Land Borders. Testimony was heard from Michael J. Hrinyak, Deputy Assistant Commissioner, Inspections, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice; Joseph O'Gorman, National Team Leader, Land Border Passenger Processing, U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

PATIENT PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule on H.R. 4250, Patient Protection Act of 1998, providing for one hour of debate, equally divided between Representative Hastert and an opponent. The rule provides that the amendments printed in the Rules committee report shall be considered as adopted. The rule provides for the consideration of an amendment printed in the Congressional Record and numbered 2. The amendment shall be considered as read, and shall be debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. All points of order against the amendment are waived. Finally, the rule provides for one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Biley, Stearns, Bilbray, Ganske, Coburn, Lazio, Goodling, Graham, Paul, Ramstad, Johnson of Connecticut,

Scarborough, Shadegg, Hastert, Brady of Texas, Thomas, Dingell, Pallone, Eshoo, Strickland, Clay, McDermott, Kleczka, Evans, and Berry.

NSF'S SYSTEMIC INITIATIVES

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Basic Research held an oversight hearing on the National Science Foundation's Systemic Initiatives: Are SSIs The Best Way to Improve K-12 Math and Science Education? Testimony was heard from Daryl E. Chubin, Director, Division of Research, Evaluation, and Communications, Directorate for Education and Human Resources, NSF; Thomas Baird, Area Cities for Educational Enhancement, Department of Education, State of Florida; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; RESOLUTIONS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 3482, to designate the Federal building located at 11000 Wilshire Boulevard in Los Angeles, California, as the "Abraham Lincoln Federal Building"; H.R. 3598, to designate the Federal building located at 700 East San Antonio Street in El Paso, Texas, as the "Richard C. White Federal Building"; S. 2032, amended, to designate the Federal building in Juneau, Alaska, as the "Hurff A. Saunders Federal Building"; H.R. 4275, amended, Economic Development Partnership Act of 1998; and H.R. 4268, amended, National Parks Air Tour Management Act of 1998.

The Committee also approved the following resolutions: 12 Corps of Engineers Survey; and 14 Public Buildings.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS; PROVISION OF SPECIALIZED SERVICES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing to review the implementation of section 1706 of title 38, United States Code, which provides for the specialized treatment and rehabilitative needs of disabled veterans. Testimony was heard from Stephen P. Backhus, Director, Veterans' Affairs and Military Health Care Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, GAO; the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Thomas H. Miller, Chairman, Advisory Committee on Prosthetics and Special Disabilities Programs; Thomas L. Garthwaite, M.D., Deputy Under Secretary, Health; Denis J. Fitzgerald, M.D., Director, VISN 1 and Leroy P. Gross, M.D., Director, VISN 6, both with the Veterans Integrated Services Network; representatives of veterans organizations; and a public witness.

SSA—LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security continued hearings to examine labor-management relations at the SSA. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the SSA: John Reusing, Claims Authorizer, Division of International Operations; Jim Beckstrom, Computer Specialist, Office of Systems; Jim

Schampers, District Manager, Waco, Texas; and Edwin M. Hardesty, District Manager, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION ACT

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session and ordered reported amended H.R. 3829, Intelligence Community Whistleblower Protection Act of 1998.

CIA—WHISTLEBLOWER REGULATION

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on CIA's new Whistleblower Regulation. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

DENIAL AND DECEPTION

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Denial and Deception. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

IMF STRUCTURE

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded hearings to examine the financial condition of the International Monetary Fund, after receiving testimony from Harold J. Johnson, Jr., Associate Director of International Relations and Trade Issues, General Accounting Office.

APPROPRIATIONS—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 4059, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Five bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2351–2355. **Page 17151**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1883, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Marion National Fish Hatchery and the Claude Harris National Aquacultural Research Center to the

State of Alabama, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 105–263) **Page 17151**

Measures Passed:

Transportation Appropriations, 1999: By 90 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 235), Senate passed S. 2307, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, as amended. **Page 17107**

Pursuant to the order of Thursday, July 23, 1998, the Chair appointed the following conferees: Senators Shelby, Domenici, Specter, Bond, Gorton, Bennett, Faircloth, Stevens, Lautenberg, Byrd, Mikulski, Reid, Kohl, Murray, and Inouye. **Page 17110**

Federal Credit Union Reform Act: Senate began consideration of H.R. 1151, to amend the Federal Credit Union Act to clarify existing law with regard to the field of membership of Federal credit unions, to preserve the integrity and purpose of Federal credit unions, and to enhance supervisory oversight of insured credit unions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Pending:

Gramm Amendment No. 3336, to strike provisions requiring credit unions to use the funds of credit union members to serve persons not members of the credit union. **Page 17122**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the pending amendment, on Monday, July 27, 1998, with a vote on a motion to table the amendment to occur at 5:30 p.m. **Page 17130**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—235) **Page 17109**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:15 a.m., and adjourned at 3:30 p.m., until 12 noon, on Monday, July 27, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 17156.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 4326–4335; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 308–309, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 379, a private bill, for the relief of Larry Errol Pieterse (H. Rept. 105–644);

H.R. 2744, a private bill, for the relief of Chong Ho Kwak (H. Rept. 105–645);

S. 1304, a private bill, for the relief of Belinda McGregor (H. Rept. 105–646);

Conference report on H.R. 4059, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–647);

H.R. 4328, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–648); and

H.R. 3254, to amend the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act to clarify the requirements relating to reducing or withholding payments to States under that Act, amended (H. Rept. 105–649). **Pages 17291, 17318**

Patient Protection Act: The House passed H.R. 4250, to provide new patient protections under group health plans by a ye a and nay vote of 216 yeas to 210 nays, Roll No. 339. **Page 17167**

Rejected the Berry motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Education and the Workforce with instructions to report it back to the House with an amendment dealing with medical necessity by ye a and nay vote of 205 yeas to 221 nays, Roll No. 338. **Page 17279**

Earlier, a point of order was sustained against the Berry motion to recommit the bill to the Committees on Ways and Means and Education and the Workforce with instructions to report it back to the House with sundry amendments. Agreed to table the motion to appeal the ruling of the Chair by a recorded vote of 222 yeas to 204 noes, Roll No. 337. **Page 17276**

Rejected the Dingell amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to establish standards to protect access to care and contain the text of H.R. 3605, Patients' Bill of Rights Act by ye a and nay vote of 212 yeas to 217 nays, Roll No. 336. **Page 17245**

H. Res. 509, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a ye a and nay vote of 279 yeas to 143 nays, Roll No. 335. **Page 17157**

Late Reports: Conferees received permission to have until midnight on July 24 to file a conference report on H.R. 4059, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending

September 30, 1999. Also, the Committee on Appropriations received permission to have until midnight on July 24 to file a report on H.R. 4328, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

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Bipartisan Commission on the Future of Medicare: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Mrs. Colleen Conway-Welch of Tennessee to the National Bipartisan Commission on the Future of Medicare.

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Legislative Program: Representative Thomas announced the Legislative Program for the week of July 27.

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Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, July 27.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of July 29.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate appears on page 17157.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 17319.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four ye a and nay votes, and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 17166, 17276, 17278, and 17280. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 4:38 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the District of Columbia approved for full Committee action the District of Columbia appropriations for fiscal year 1999.

FINANCIAL DERIVATIVES SUPERVISORY IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Continued hearings on H.R. 4062, Financial Derivatives Supervisory Improvement Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: John D. Hawke, Under Secretary; Michael Brosnan, Deputy Comptroller, Risk Evaluation, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency; and Kenneth Ryder, Executive Director, Research, Statistics, and Analysis, Office of Thrift Supervision; Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; Brooksley Born, Chairperson, Commodity Futures Trading Commission; Douglas H. Jones, Senior Deputy General Counsel, FDIC; and public witnesses.

ENHANCING RETIREMENT SECURITY

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials held a hearing on Enhancing Retirement Security Through Individual Investment Choices. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

TEAMSTERS GOVERNANCE AND PRACTICE

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on International Brotherhood of Teamsters Governance and Practice. Testimony was heard from Aaron Belk, Vice President, International Brotherhood of Teamsters.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; HUMAN RIGHTS IN INDONESIA

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights approved for full Committee action amended the following measures: H.R. 4083, to make available to the Ukrainian Museum and Archives the USIA television program "Window on America"; H.R. 633, to amend the Foreign Service Act of 1980 to provide that the annuities of certain special agents and security personnel of the Department of State be computed in the same way as applies generally with respect to Federal law enforcement officers; H. Con. Res. 185, expressing the sense of the Congress on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the signing of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and recommitting the United States to the principles expressed in the Universal Declaration; and H.R. 4309, Tortures Victim Relief Act of 1998.

The Subcommittee also concluded hearings on Human Rights in Indonesia, Part II. Testimony was heard from John Shattuck, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, Department of State; and Franklin D. Kramer, Assistant Secretary, International Security Affairs, Department of Defense.

SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE AUTHORITY TO COMMITTEE

Committee on Rules: Held a hearing on H. Res. 507, providing special investigative authority for the Committee on Education and the Workforce. Testimony was heard from Representatives Goodling, Parker, Clay and Mink of Hawaii.

SSA—LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security concluded hearings to examine labor-management relations at the SSA. Testimony was heard from Paul D. Barnes, Deputy Commissioner, Human Resources, SSA; and a public witness.

FUTURE IMAGERY ARCHITECTURE

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Future Imagery Architecture. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

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Measures Introduced: Six bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2356–2361, and S. Con. Res. 110–112. **Page 17391**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 890, to dispose of certain Federal properties located in Dutch John, Utah, to assist the local government in the interim delivery of basic services to the Dutch John community, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–264)

S. 852, to establish nationally uniform requirements regarding the titling and registration of salvage, nonrepairable, and rebuilt vehicles, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–265)

S. 2319, to authorize the use of receipts from the sale of migratory bird hunting and conservation stamps to promote additional stamp purchases. (S. Rept. No. 105–266)

H.R. 3824, amending the Fastener Quality Act to exempt from its coverage certain fasteners approved by the Federal Aviation Administration for use in aircraft, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 105–267)

Report to accompany S. 1645, to amend provisions of title 18, United States Code, to prohibit taking minors across State lines to avoid laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions.

S.J. Res. 54, finding the Government of Iraq in unacceptable and material breach of its international obligations. **Page 17391**

Measures Passed:

Honoring the Memory of Detective Gibson and Private Chestnut: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 110, honoring the memory of Detective John Michael Gibson and Private First Class Jacob Joseph Chestnut of the United States Capitol Police for their selfless acts of heroism at the United States Capitol on July 24, 1998. **Page 17391**

Authorizing Use of Capitol Rotunda: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 111, authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a memorial service for Detective John Michael Gibson and Private First Class Jacob Joseph Chestnut of the United States Capitol Police. **Page 17387**

Authorizing Use of Capitol Rotunda: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 310, authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a memorial service for Detective John Michael Gibson and Private First Class Jacob Joseph Chestnut of the United States Capitol Police. **Page 17388**

Printing Authority: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 112, to authorize the printing of the eulogies of the Senate and the House of Representatives for Detective John Michael Gibson and Private First Class Jacob Joseph Chestnut. **Page 17415**

Head Start/Low-Income Energy Assistance/Community Services Block Grant—Authorizations: Senate passed S. 2206, to amend the Head Start Act, the Low-Income Energy Assistance Act of 1981, and the Community Services Block Grant Act to reauthorize and make improvements to those Acts, and to establish demonstration projects that provide an opportunity for persons with limited means to accumulate assets, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 17416**

Federal Credit Union Reform Act: Senate resumed consideration of H.R. 1151, to amend the Federal Credit Union Act to clarify existing law with regard to the field of membership of Federal credit unions, to preserve the integrity and purpose of Federal credit unions, and to enhance supervisory oversight of insured credit unions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Page 17352**

Rejected:

Hagel Amendment No. 3337, to lower the commercial lending cap of a credit unions assets, to require that all credit unions commercial loans must count toward its cap, and to codify current NCUA policy that requires a credit union to use qualified personnel to administer commercial loans. (By 53 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. 237), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages 17352, 17378**

Pending:

Gramm Amendment No. 3336, to strike provisions requiring credit unions to use the funds of credit union members to serve persons not members of the credit union. (By 44 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 236), Senate failed to table the amendment.) **Pages 17352, 17370**

Shelby Amendment No. 3338, with respect to exempting certain financial institutions from the Community Reinvestment Act of 1977. **Page 17365**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of Amendment No. 3338, listed above, on Tuesday, July 28, 1998, with a vote on a motion to table the amendment to occur thereon. **Page 17370**

Partial-Birth Abortion Ban—Veto Message: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the veto message to accompany H.R. 1122, to amend title 18, United States Code, to ban partial-birth abortions. **Page 17436**

Messages from the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report of a proposed rescission of budgetary resources; which was referred jointly, pursuant to the order of January 30, 1975, to the Committee on

Appropriations, to the Committee on the Budget, and to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. (PM—148). **Page 17389**

Measures Placed on Calendar: **Page 17390**

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—237) **Page 17378**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon, and, in accordance with H. Con. Res. 311/S. Con. Res. 110, adjourned at 7:23 p.m., until 9:45 a.m., on Tuesday, July 28, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 17437.)

Committee Meetings

D.C. POLICE DEPARTMENT

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring, and the District of Columbia concluded hearings to examine the Metropolitan Police Department's efforts to reduce crime and improve the quality of life in the District of Columbia, focusing on the status of emergency communications and community policing, after receiving testimony from Charles H. Ramsey, Chief of Police, Terrance W. Gainer, Executive Assistant Chief of Police, and Mike Fitzgerald, Assistant Chief, all of the Metropolitan Police Department, James F. Foreman, Orange Hats Patrol, and Kirsten Oldenburg, Crimemail, all of Washington, D.C.

CALIFORNIA NURSING HOMES

Special Committee on Aging: Committee held hearings to examine the quality of care in California nursing homes, focusing on certain allegations of abuse and neglect and the adequacy of the Health Care Financing Administration's enforcement of federal care requirements for nursing homes, receiving testimony from Ellen Curzon, Lakeside, California; Leslie Oliva, Whittier, California; Kathleen Duncan, Vacaville, California; Kathryn L. Locatell, Sacramento, California; and certain other public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

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Bills Introduced: 4 public bills, H.R. 4336–4339; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 310–311, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: No reports were filed today.

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Coble to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 10:31 a.m. and reconvened at 12:00 noon.

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Memorial Service for Detective Gibson and Private First Class Chestnut in the Rotunda of the Capitol: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 310, authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a memorial service for Detective John Michael Gibson and Private First Class Jacob Joseph Chestnut of the United States Capitol Police.

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:25 p.m. and reconvened at 5:00 p.m.

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Honoring the Memory of Detective Gibson and Private First Class Chestnut for Their Heroism: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 311, honoring the memory of Detective John Michael Gibson and Private First Class Jacob Joseph Chestnut of the United States Capitol Police for their selfless acts of heroism at the United States Capitol on July 24, 1998 by a ye and nay vote of 392 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 340.

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Authorize Printing of Eulogies: The House agreed to S. Con. Res. 112, to authorize the printing of the eulogies of the Senate and the House of Representatives for Detective John Michael Gibson and Private First Class Jacob Joseph Chestnut.

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Presidential Message Budget Rescission: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted his proposed rescission of budget resources totaling \$5.2 million affecting the Department of the Interior—referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–290).

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Meeting Hour—July 28: Agreed that when the House adjourns today it adjourn to meet at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 28.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate appears on page 17467.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 17469.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One ye and nay vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appears on page 17466. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:30 and pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 311, adjourned at 8:33 p.m. as a further mark of respect to the memory of Detective Gibson and Private First Class Chestnut.

Committee Meetings

URANIUM MILL TAILINGS CLEANUP PROGRESS

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing on Progress on Uranium Mill Tailings Cleanup. Testimony was heard from William E. Wisenbaker, Acting Associate Deputy Assistant Secretary, Department of Energy; Howard Roitman, Division Director, Hazardous Materials and Waste Management Division, Department of Public Health and Environment, State of Colorado; and public witnesses.

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Measures Introduced: Six bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2362–2367, S. Res. 258, and S. Con. Res. 113.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 314, to require that the Federal Government procure from the private sector the goods and services necessary for the operations and management of certain Government agencies, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–269)

S. 2244, to amend the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 to promote volunteer programs and community partnerships for the benefit of national wildlife refuges. (S. Rept. No. 105–270)

Special Report on Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals from the Concurrent Resolution for Fiscal Year 1998. (S. Rept. No. 105–271)

Special Report on Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 1999. (S. Rept. No. 105–272)

H.R. 1856, to amend the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a volunteer pilot project at one national wildlife refuge in each United States Fish and Wildlife Service region, and for other purposes, with amendments.

S. 2112, to make the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 applicable to the United States Postal Service in the same manner as any other employer.

S. Con. Res. 103, expressing the sense of the Congress in support of the recommendations of the International Commission of Jurists on Tibet and on United States pol-

icy with regard to Tibet, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Measures Passed:

Federal Credit Union Reform Act: By 92 yeas to 6 nays (Vote No. 239), Senate passed H.R. 1151, to amend the Federal Credit Union Act to clarify existing law with regard to the field of membership of Federal credit unions, to preserve the integrity and purpose of Federal credit unions, and to enhance supervisory oversight of insured credit unions, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and taking action on further amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

Gamm Amendment No. 3336, to strike provisions requiring credit unions to use the funds of credit union members to serve persons not members of the credit union.

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D'Amato/Sarbanes Amendment No. 3339, with respect to review of regulations and paperwork reductions, consultation with State supervisory agencies, the field of membership exception for underserved areas, and to require a study by the Secretary of the Treasury of member business lending.

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Rejected:

Shelby Amendment No. 3338, with respect to exempting certain financial institutions from the Community Reinvestment Act of 1977. (By 59 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 238), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Authorizing Senate Legal Counsel: Senate agreed to S. Res. 258, to authorize testimony and representation of Senate employee in *State of Tennessee v. Ronald W. Byrd*.

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Treasury/Postal Service Appropriations, 1999: Senate began consideration of S. 2312, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

Campbell/Faircloth/Kohl Amendment No. 3340, relating to the adjustment in the rates of basic pay for the statutory pay systems.

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Campbell (for Grassley) Amendment No. 3341, regarding antique firearms regulation and an exemption for muzzle loader firearms under the Gun Control Act.

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Campbell/Kohl Amendment No. 3342, to make a technical correction regarding the Federal Financing Bank in order to reflect the true amount of debt accumulated.

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Campbell (for Sarbanes) Amendment No. 3343, to provide for the reform of the overtime pay of Federal firefighters.

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Campbell (for Cochran) Amendment No. 3344, to provide for an annual report on international services of the Postal Service.

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Campbell (for Coverdell) Amendment No. 3345, to express the sense of the Senate on the use of random selection of returns for examination by the Internal Revenue Service.

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Campbell/Kohl Amendment No. 3346, to make modification to Title III relating to the Drug Czar's office media campaign.

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Campbell/Kohl Amendment No. 3347, to make a technical correction to Title IV.

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Campbell (for Landrieu) Amendment No. 3352, to provide for greater access to child care services for Federal employees.

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Kohl Amendment No. 3355, to extend certain prohibitions relating to undetectable firearms.

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Campbell (for Chafee/Warner) Amendment No. 3356, to require the Administrator of General Services to acquire a lease for the Department of Transportation headquarters and to provide additional funding for security for the Capitol complex.

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Pending:

Thompson Amendment No. 3353, to require the addition of use of forced or indentured child labor to the list of grounds on which a potential contractor may be debarred or suspended from eligibility for award of a Federal Government contract.

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Rejected:

Feinstein Amendment No. 3351, to ban the importation of large capacity ammunition feeding devices. (By 54 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. 240), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 49 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 241), three fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected a motion to waive the Congressional Budget Act with respect to consideration of Hutchinson Amendment No. 3249, to terminate the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. Subsequently, a point of order that the amendment was in violation of Section 202(b) of the Congressional Budget Act was sustained, and the amendment thus fell.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Wednesday, July 29, 1998.

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—241)	Pages 17506, 17511, 17522, 17545

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:45 a.m., and adjourned at 6:58 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, July 29, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 17578.)

Committee Meetings

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Carolyn H. Becraft, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Ruby Butler DeMesme, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Air Force, Patrick T. Henry, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army, and 5,101 military nominations in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Ritajeon Hartung Butterworth, of Washington, and Diane D. Blair, of Arkansas, each to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, and Kelley S. Coyner, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Ms. Butterworth was introduced by Senators Gorton and Hutchinson, Ms. Blair was introduced by Senator Bumpers, and Ms. Coyner was introduced by Senator Robb.

CABLE RATES

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee held hearings to examine the regulation of cable television rates, focusing on the impact of the proposed March 31, 1999 expiration of the Federal Communication Commission's authority to regulate the rates charged for cable programming services as directed by the 1996 Telecommunications Act, and the status of federal and congressional efforts to create viable competition to cable television, receiving testimony from Senator Feingold; Representatives DeFazio and Tauzin; Charles Ergen, EchoStar Communications Corporation, and Gene Kimmelman, Consumers Union, both of Washington, D.C.; Leo J. Hindery, Jr., Tele-Communications, Inc., Englewood, Colorado; and James O. Robbins, Cox Communications, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

ALASKA REGION OPERATING COSTS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee held hearings to examine the Government Accounting Office report on the increase in the costs for fiscal years 1993 through 1998 to operate the Forest Service Alaska region, receiving testimony from James K. Meissner, Associate Director, Energy, Resources, and Science Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; and Roger C. Viadero, Inspector General, and Thomas J. Mills, Director, Pacific Northwest Research Station, and James A. Caplan, Acting Regional Forester, Alaska Region, both of the Forest Service, all of the Department of Agriculture.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 442, to establish a national policy against State and local government interference with interstate commerce on the Internet or interactive computer services, and to exercise Congressional jurisdiction over interstate commerce by establishing a moratorium on the imposition of exactions that would interfere with the free flow of commerce via the Internet, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (As approved by the committee, the amendment provides for a two-year moratorium on the imposition of state and local taxes on the Internet.)

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1147 and provisions of H.R. 2409, measures to provide for nondiscriminatory coverage for substance abuse treatment services under private group and individual health coverage, focusing on scientific evidence with regard to substance abuse and addiction and the effectiveness of certain prevention and treatment strategies, after receiving testimony from Senator Wellstone; Representative Ramstad; Alan I. Leshner, Director, National Institute on Drug Abuse, Department of Health and Human Services; David C. Lewis, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, on behalf of the Physician Leadership on National Drug Policy; Robert M. Morse, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota; Ted Suhl, The Lord's Ranch, Warm Springs, Arkansas; Richard G. Frank, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts; Willis D. Gradison, Jr., Health Insurance Association of America, Washington, D.C.; John Saylor, AMR Corporation, Fort Worth, Texas; and June Gertig, Herndon, Virginia.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2273, to provide a cost-of-living allowance adjustment in compensation, dependency and indemnity compensation, and other VA benefits, effective December 31, 1998;

S. 1021, to strengthen current laws relating to veterans' preference in Federal employment, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2358, to provide a scientific basis for VA to assess the association between illness and exposure to toxic agents and environmental or other wartime hazards during the Persian Gulf War, to extend VA authority to provide medical care services to Persian Gulf War veterans, to extend and modify VA authority to evaluate the health status of spouses and children of Gulf War veterans, and to require an assessment of the feasibility of establishing an independent entity to evaluate veterans' post-conflict illnesses;

S. 1385, to expand the list of diseases presumed to be service connected with respect to radiation-exposed veterans, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 1822, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize provision of care to veterans treated with nasopharyngeal radium irradiation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (As approved by the committee, the amendment incorporates provisions of S. 1822, S. 2115, 2181 S.)

Also, committee reconsidered their action of October 7, 1997, and again ordered favorably reported S. 730, to make retroactive the entitlement of certain Medal of Honor recipients to the special pension provided for persons entered and recorded on the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Coast Guard Medal of Honor Roll, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (As approved by the committee, the amendment incorporates provisions of S. 730, S. 1743, S. 1745, and S. 2108.)

CALIFORNIA NURSING HOMES

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded hearings to examine the quality of care in California nursing homes, focusing on certain allegations of abuse and neglect and the adequacy of the Health Care Financing Administration's enforcement of federal care requirements for nursing homes, after receiving testimony from William J. Scanlon, Director, Health Financing and Systems Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; Michael Hash, Deputy Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Charlene Harrington, University of California, San Francisco; Andrew M. Kramer, University of Colorado Health Sciences Center, Boulder; Dennis Stone, American Medical Directors Association, Columbia, Maryland, on behalf of the California Association of Health Facilities; and Paul R. Willging, American Health Care Association, and Sheldon L. Goldberg, American Association of Homes and Services for the Aging, both of Washington, D.C.

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Bills Introduced: 2 public bills, H.R. 4340-4341; and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 312 were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3891, to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 to prohibit the unauthorized destruction, modification, or alteration of product identification codes, amended (H. Rept. 105-650);

H. Res. 510, providing for consideration of H.R. 4328, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998 (H. Rept. 105-651); and

H. Res. 511, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 629, to grant the consent of the Congress to the Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact (H. Rept. 105-652).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Burr to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 10:17 a.m. and reconvened at 11:30 a.m.

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Recess: The House recessed at 11:56 a.m. and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate appears on page 17480.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 17502.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One quorum call (Roll No. 341) and one yea and nay vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 17482 and 17500.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 and at 2:59 p.m. agreed to the Gutknecht motion to adjourn in memory of Detective Gibson and Private First Class Chestnut by a yea and nay vote of 392 yeas with none voting "nay" and 1 voting "present," Roll No. 342.

Committee Meetings

USE OF DECEPTIVE PRACTICES TO GAIN ACCESS TO PERSONAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Held a hearing to review the Use of Deceptive Practices to Gain Access to Personal Financial Information. Testimony was heard from Julie L. Williams, Acting Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury; Mozelle W. Thompson, Commissioner, FTC; Jeff Clements, Assistant Attorney General, State of Massachusetts; and public witnesses.

"CLINTON-GORE V. STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS"

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing on "Clinton-Gore v. State and Local Governments". Testimony was heard from G. Edward DeSeve, Acting Deputy Director, Management, OMB; Douglas Racine, Lieutenant Governor, State of Vermont; Mark Schwartz; Councilman, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; and public witnesses.

DEER AND ELK PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Resources: Held a hearing on H.R. 3987, Deer and Elk Protection Act. Testimony was heard from Michael J. Anderson, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; Jim Buck, member, House of Representatives, State of Washington; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2125, to authorize appropriations for the Coastal Heritage Trail Route in New Jersey; H.R. 3950, Otay Mountain Wilderness Act of 1998; H.R. 3963, to establish terms and conditions under which the Secretary of the Interior shall convey leaseholds in certain properties around Canyon Ferry Reservoir; H.R. 4144, Cumberland Island Preservation Act; H.R. 4211, to establish the Tuskegee Airmen National Historic Site, in association with the Tuskegee University, in the State of Alabama; H.R. 4230, El Porto Administrative Site Land Exchange Act; and a measure to make technical corrections and minor adjustments to the boundaries of the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument in the State of Utah. Testimony was heard from Representatives Hill, Radanovich, Riley, Kingston, Bilbray and LoBiondo; the following officials of the Department of the Interior: Eluid L. Martinez, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation; and Tom Fry, Deputy Director, Bureau of Land Management; and Katherine Stevenson, Associate Director, Stewardship and Partnerships, National Park Service; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 3478, Colorado Ute Settlement Act Amendments of 1998; and H.R. 745, to deauthorize the Animas-La Plata Federal reclamation project, and to direct the Secretary of the Interior to enter into negotiations to satisfy, in a manner consistent with all Federal laws, the water rights interests of the Ute Mountain Ute Indian Tribe. Testimony was heard from Representatives McInnis, Redmond and Petri; Roy Romer, Governor, State of Colorado; Eluid Martinez, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of general debate on H.R. 4328, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. The rule waives clause 7 of rule XXI (relating to the 3 day availability of printed hearings) and section 401(a) (prohibiting consideration of legislation containing contract authority not previously subject to appropriations) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendments printed in the report accompanying the resolution shall be considered as adopted.

The rule waives clause 6 (prohibiting reappropriations in an appropriations bill) of rule XXI and clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized and legislative provisions in an appropriations bill) against provisions in the bill, as amended, except as otherwise specified in the rule. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows for the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce votes to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minutes vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instruction. Testimony was heard from Representatives Wolf and Sabo.

CONFERENCE REPORT—TEXAS LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE DISPOSAL COMPACT CONSENT ACT

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report on H.R. 629, Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact Consent Act, and against its consideration. Testimony was heard from Representatives Dan Schaefer of Colorado, Barton of Texas, Hall of Texas, and Reyes.

SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE AUTHORITY TO COMMITTEE

Committee on Rules: Ordered reported amended H. Res. 507, providing special investigative authority for the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

TRANSATLANTIC ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade held a hearing on Trade Relations with Europe and the new Transatlantic Economic Partnership. Testimony was heard from Representative Smith of Oregon; Charlene Barshefsky, U.S. Trade Representative; David L. Aaron, Under Secretary, International Trade, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

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Measures Introduced: Three bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2368–2370, and S. Res. 259. **Page 17663**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1222, to catalyze restoration of estuary habitat through more efficient financing of projects and enhanced coordination of Federal and non-Federal restoration programs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–273)

Report to accompany S. 512, to amend Chapter 47 of title 18, United States Code, relating to identity fraud. (S. Rept. No. 105–274)

S. 1978, to designate the auditorium located within the Sandia Technology Transfer Center in Albuquerque, New Mexico, as the "Steve Schiff Auditorium". (S. Rept. No. 105–275)

H.R. 3453, to designate the Federal Building and Post Office located at 100 East B Street, Casper, Wyoming, as the "Dick Cheney Federal Building". **Page 17663**

Measures Passed:

Lao People's Democratic Republic Human Rights: Senate agreed to S. Res. 240, expressing the sense of the Senate with respect to democracy and human rights in the Lao People's Democratic Republic, after agreeing to committee amendments. **Page 17740**

Afghanistan Human Rights: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 97, expressing the sense of Congress concerning the human rights and humanitarian situation facing the women and girls of Afghanistan, after agreeing to committee amendments. **Page 17741**

Food Bank Volunteers: Committee on Labor and Human Resources was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 3152, to provide that certain volunteers at private non-profit food banks are not employees for purposes of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 17741**

Treasury/Postal Service Appropriations, 1999: Senate continued consideration of S. 2312, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Page 17580**

Adopted:

Thompson Amendment No. 3353, to require the addition of use of forced or indentured child labor to the list of grounds on which a potential contractor may be debarred or suspended from eligibility for award of a Federal Government contract. **Pages 17580, 17618**

Abraham Modified Amendment No. 3362, to require Federal agencies to assess the impact of policies and regulations on families. **Pages 17597, 17600, 17628**

Wellstone Amendment No. 3373 (to amendment No. 3362), to prevent Congress from enacting legislation which fails to address the legislation's impact on family well-being and on children. **Pages 17619, 17626**

Campbell (for Mack/Graham) Amendment No. 3363, to provide for a land conveyance to the University of Miami, comprising the United States Naval Observatory/Alternate Time Service Laboratory. **Page 17598**

Campbell (for Jeffords/Landrieu/Dodd/Kohl) Amendment No. 3364, to establish requirements for the provision of child care in Federal facilities. **Page 17599**

Hatch/Biden Amendment No. 3367, to extend the authorization for the Office of National Drug Control Policy until September 30, 2002, and to expand the responsibilities and powers of the Director of National Drug Control Policy. **Page 17602**

DeWine Amendment No. 3354, to prohibit the use of funds to pay for an abortion or pay for the administrative expenses in connection with certain health plans that provide coverage for abortions. **Pages 17605, 17617**

Campbell (for Graham) Amendment No. 3368, to provide for the adjustment of status of certain Haitian nationals. **Page 17609**

Campbell (for Lautenberg) Amendment No. 3369, to express the sense of Congress that a postage stamp should be issued honoring Oskar Schindler. **Page 17611**

Reid (for Snowe/Reid) Modified Amendment No. 3370, to improve access to FDA-approved prescription contraceptives or devices. **Page 17611**

Reid Amendment No. 3371 (to Amendment No. 3370), to provide a rule of construction relating to coverage. **Page 17616**

Campbell (for Dorgan) Amendment No. 3372, to require a study of the conditions under which certain grain products may be imported into the United States, and to require a report to Congress. **Page 17618**

Bingaman Amendment No. 3376, to provide emergency authority to the Secretary of Energy to purchase oil for the Strategic Petroleum Reserve. **Pages 17628, 17631**

Campbell (for Durbin) Amendment No. 3377, to express the sense of Congress that a postage stamp should be issued honoring the 150th anniversary of Irish immigration to the United States that resulted from the Irish Famine of 1845–1850. **Page 17633**

Baucus Amendment No. 3378, to establish guidelines for the relocation, closing, or consolidation of post offices. (By 21 yeas to 76 nays (Vote No. 245), Senate earlier failed to table the amendment.) **Page 17633**

Campbell (for Wellstone) Amendment No. 3382, to designate the building of the United States Postal Service located at 180 East Kellogg Boulevard in Saint Paul, Minnesota, as the "Eugene J. McCarthy Post Office Building". **Page 17643**

Campbell (for Thompson) Amendment No. 3357, to promote the public's right to know about Federal regulatory programs, improve the quality of Government, and increase Government accountability. **Page 17644**

Domenici/Bingaman/Coverdell/Cleland Amendment No. 3384, to provide funding for the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center. **Page 17646**

Campbell Amendment No. 3388, to provide funding for Customs drug interdiction and High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas. **Page 17650**

Rejected:

Daschle Amendment No. 3365, to provide for marriage tax penalty relief. (By 57 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. 243), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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By 46 yeas to 53 nays (Vote No. 244), Harkin Amendment No. 3374 (to Amendment No. 3353), to limit the scope of the requirement relating to inspection of a contractor's records. **Page 17623**

Withdrawn:

Brownback/Ashcroft Amendment No. 3359, to provide that married couples may file a combined return under which each spouse is taxed using the rates applicable to unmarried individuals. (By 48 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 242), Senate earlier failed to table the amendment.)

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Domenici/Coverdell Amendment No. 3383, to provide additional funding for the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center. **Page 17645**

Pending:

McConnell Amendment No. 3379, to provide for appointment and term length for the staff director and general counsel of the Federal Election Commission.

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Glenn Amendment No. 3380, to provide additional funding for enforcement activities of the Federal Election Commission. **Page 17641**

Graham/Mack Amendment No. 3381, to provide funding for the Central Florida High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area. **Page 17643**

Stevens Amendment No. 3385, to provide for an adjustment in the computation of annuities for certain Federal officers and employees relating to average pay determinations. **Page 17647**

Campbell (for Grassley) Amendment No. 3386, to protect Federal law enforcement officers who intervene in certain situations to protect life or prevent bodily injury. **Page 17648**

Harkin Amendment No. 3387, to provide additional funding to reduce methamphetamine usage in High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas. **Page 17650**

Kohl (for Kerrey) Amendment No. 3389, to express the sense of the Senate regarding payroll tax relief.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and amendments to be proposed thereto, with any votes ordered to occur on Thursday, July 30, 1999. **Page 17637**

Department of Defense Appropriations—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 2132, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, on Thursday, July 30, 1999.

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Securities Litigation Uniform Standards Act—Conferees: Senate disagreed to the amendment of the House to S. 1260, to amend the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to limit the conduct of securities class actions under State law, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators D'Amato, Gramm, Shelby, Sarbanes, and Dodd.

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Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report concerning the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM-149).

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Transmitting the report of the District of Columbia's Fiscal Year 1999 Budget Request Act; referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs. (PM-150).

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Transmitting the report concerning the ongoing efforts to meet the goals set forth in the Dayton Accords; referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM-151).

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Transmitting the report concerning the continuation of the national emergency with respect to Iraq; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM-152).

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Transmitting the annual report of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for fiscal year 1997; referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. (PM-153).

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Norine E. Noonan, of Florida, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Patricia T. Montoya, of New Mexico, to be Commissioner on Children, Youth, and Families, Department of Health and Human Services.

James M. Bodner, of Virginia, to be Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy.

Eugene A. Conti, Jr., of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation.

Gregory H. Friedman, of Colorado, to be Inspector General of the Department of Energy.

Harry Litman, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Pennsylvania for the term of four years.

Paul M. Warner, of Utah, to be United States Attorney for the District of Utah for the term of four years.

2 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral. **Page 17744**

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—245) **Pages 17594, 17617, 17625, 17637**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 9:59 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Thursday, July 30, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 17744.)

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE REORGANIZATION

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry: Committee concluded oversight hearings to examine the Department of Agriculture's progress in consolidating and downsizing its operations, after receiving testimony from Richard E. Rominger, Deputy Secretary of Agriculture; and Lawrence J. Dyckman, Director, Food and Agriculture Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nominations of Kelley S. Coyner, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation, and Diane D. Blair, of Arkansas, and Ritajeon H. Butterworth, of Washington, each to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting;

S. 2107, to enhance electronic commerce by promoting the reliability and integrity of commercial transactions

through establishing authentication standards for electronic communications, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2217, to provide for continuation of the Federal research investment in a fiscally sustainable way, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (As approved by the committee, the amendment authorizes funds for fiscal years 1999 through 2010.);

S. 2120, to improve the ability of Federal agencies to license federally-owned inventions, with an amendment;

S. 2119, to amend the Amateur Sports Act to strengthen provisions protecting the right of athletes to compete, recognize the Paralympics and growth of disabled sports, and improve the U.S. Olympic Committee's ability to resolve certain disputes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1802, to authorize funds for programs of the Surface Transportation Board, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (As approved by the committee, the amendment authorizes \$16,190,000 for fiscal year 1999.); and

S. 2360, to authorize funds for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, with amendments. (As approved by the committee, the bill will authorize funds for fiscal years 1999 through 2003.)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nomination of Bill Richardson, of New Mexico, to be Secretary of Energy;

S. 1978, to designate the auditorium located within the Sandia Technology Transfer Center in Albuquerque, New Mexico, as the "Steve Schiff Auditorium";

H.R. 2493, to establish a mechanism by which the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior can provide for uniform management of livestock grazing on Federal lands;

S. 1719, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to exchange land and other assets with Big Sky Lumber Co., with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 3830, to provide for the exchange of certain lands within the State of Utah;

H.R. 2886, to provide for a demonstration project in the Stanislaus National Forest, California, under which a private contractor will perform multiple resource management activities for that unit of the National Forest System, with an amendment;

H.R. 3796, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey the administrative site for the Rogue River National Forest and use the proceeds for the construction or improvement of offices and support buildings for the Rogue River National Forest and the Bureau of Land Management, with an amendment;

H.R. 1663, to clarify the intent of the Congress in Public Law 93-632 to require the Secretary of Agriculture to continue to provide for the maintenance of 18 concrete dams and weirs that were located in the Emigrant Wilderness at the time the wilderness area was designated as wilderness in that Public Law;

S. 2087, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain works, facilities, and titles of the Gila Project, and designated lands within or adjacent to the Gila Project, to the Wellton-Mohawk Irrigation and Drainage District, with an amendment;

S. 1398, to extend certain contracts between the Bureau of Reclamation and irrigation water contractors in Wyoming and Nebraska that receive water from Glendo Reservoir, with an amendment;

S. 2171, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Arkansas;

S. 2232, to establish the Little Rock Central High School National Historic Site in the State of Arkansas, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1016, to authorize funds through fiscal year 2004 for the Coastal Heritage Trail Route in New Jersey;

S. 1333, to amend the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 to allow national park units that cannot charge an entrance or admission fee to retain other fees and charges, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2039, to designate the El Camino Real de Tierra Adentro, 404-mile trail from the Rio Grande River near El Paso, Texas, to San Juan Pueblo, New Mexico, as a component of the National Trails System;

S. 2106, to expand the boundaries of Arches National Park, Utah, to include portions of certain drainages that are under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management, and to include a portion of Fish Seep Draw owned by the State of Utah, with an amendment;

S. 2129, to eliminate restrictions on the acquisition of certain land contiguous to Hawaii Volcanoes National Park;

S. 469, to designate a portion of the Sudbury, Assabet, and Concord Rivers as a component of the National Wild and Scenic River System, with an amendment;

H.R. 2186, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance to the National Historic Trails Interpretive Center in Casper, Wyoming;

S. 1408, to establish the Lower East Side Tenement National Historic Site;

S. 1665, to authorize funds for programs of the Delaware and Lehigh Navigation Canal National Heritage Corridor Act, with amendments;

S. 1718, to amend the Weir Farm National Historic Site Establishment Act of 1990 to authorize the acquisition of additional acreage for the historic site to permit the development of visitor and administrative facilities and to authorize the appropriation of additional amounts

for the acquisition of real and personal property, with an amendment;

S. 1990, to authorize expansion of Fort Davis National Historic Site in Fort Davis, Texas;

S. 2109, to provide for an exchange of lands located near Gustavus, Alaska, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2272, to amend the boundaries of Grant-Kohrs Ranch National Historic Site in the State of Montana; and

S. 2276, to amend the National Trails System Act to designate El Camino Real de los Tejas as a National Historic Trail, with amendments.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 2131, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2364, to authorize funds for fiscal years 1999 through 2003 and make reforms to programs authorized by the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965;

S. 2361, to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to authorize programs for predisaster mitigation, to streamline the administration of disaster relief, and to control the Federal costs of disaster assistance, with amendments;

S. 2359, to authorize funds for fiscal years 1999 through 2004 for programs of the National Environmental Education Act;

S. 2317, to improve the National Wildlife Refuge System, with an amendment; and

H.R. 3453, to designate the Federal Building and Post Office located at 100 East B Street, Casper, Wyoming, as the "Dick Cheney Federal Building".

WORK INCENTIVES IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on Social Security and Family Policy held hearings on S. 1858, to amend the Social Security Act to provide individuals with disabilities with incentives to become economically self-sufficient, focusing on health care barriers that prevent citizens with disabilities from working, receiving testimony Senators Harkin and Kennedy; former Senator Dole; Cynthia M. Fagnoni, Director, Income Security Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; Paul Van de Water, Assistant Director, Budget Analysis Division, Congressional Budget Office; T. Jeff Bangsberg, Becklund Home Health Care, Minneapolis, Minnesota, on behalf of the Minnesota Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities; Allan I. Bergman, United Cerebral Palsy Associations, Inc., Washington, D.C.; Brian

Irish, Burlington, Vermont; and Nancy Becker Kennedy, Los Angeles, California.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

SATELLITE EXPORT LICENSING

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation, and Federal Services concluded hearings to examine the process by which commercial communications satellites are licensed for launch by foreign countries, after receiving testimony from C. Michael Armstrong, AT&T, Basking Ridge, New Jersey, and Chairman, President's Export Council; and Steven D. Dorfman, Hughes Electronics Corporation, Arlington, Virginia.

PUNITIVE DAMAGE AWARDS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee held hearings on S. 1554, to provide for relief from excessive punitive damage awards in cases involving primarily financial loss by establishing rules for proportionality between the amount of punitive damages and the amount of economic loss, receiving testimony from Senator Lieberman; Mark E. Dapier, Mercury Finance Company, Lake Forest, Illinois; Timothy A. Lambirth, Ivanjack & Lambirth, Los Angeles, California; Peter D. Zeughauser, ClientFocus, Newport Beach, California; George L. Priest, Yale University Law School, New Haven, Connecticut; and Jeff Jinnett, LeBoeuf Computing Technologies, New York, New York.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

INS REFORM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration concluded oversight hearings to examine the structure of the law enforcement activities of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, after receiving testimony from Doris Meissner, Commissioner, and Ron Sanders, Chief Patrol Agent, United States Border Patrol (Tucson, Arizona), on behalf of the Chief Patrol Agents' Association, both of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice; and Richard J. Gallo, Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association, East Northport, New York.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 1380, to authorize funds for titles VI and X of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act to expand the implementation of public charter schools, with an amendment.

Also, committee resumed markup of S. 2213, to allow all States to participate in activities under the Education Flexibility Partnership Demonstration Act, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

WENDELL H. FORD GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS REFORM ACT

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee concluded hearings on S. 2288, to provide for the reform and

continuing legislative oversight of the production, procurement, dissemination, and permanent public access of the Government's publications, after receiving testimony from Michael F. DiMario, Public Printer, and George E. Lord, Chairman, Joint Council of GPO Unions, both of the Government Printing Office; Barbara J. Ford, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, on behalf of the American Library Association; Daniel P. O'Mahony, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, on behalf of the Inter-Association Working Group on Government Information Policy; Benjamin Y. Cooper, Printing Industries of America, Inc., Alexandria, Virginia; and Robert L. Oakley, Georgetown University Law Center, on behalf of the American Association of Law Libraries, Daniel C. Duncan, Information Industry Association, Patrice McDermott, OMB Watch, and William J. Boarman, Communications Workers of America/AFL-CIO, all of Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 1905, to provide for equitable compensation for the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 3069, to extend the Advisory Council on California Indian Policy to allow the Advisory Council one year to advise Congress on the implementation of its recommendations, with an amendment;

S. 1770, to elevate the position of Director of the Indian Health Service to Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services, and to provide for the organizational independence of the Indian Health Service within the Department of Health and Human Services, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 391, to provide for the disposition of certain funds appropriated to pay judgment in favor of the Mississippi Sioux Indians, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 1419, to deem the activities of the Miccosukee Tribe on the Tamiami Indian Reserve to be consistent with the purposes of the Everglades National Park, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 11 public bills, H.R. 4342–4352; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 512, were introduced. **Page 17984**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.J. Res. 120, disapproving the extension of the waiver authority contained in section 402(c) of the Trade Act of 1974 with respect to Vietnam (H. Rept. 105–653);

H.R. 3482, to designate the Federal building located at 11000 Wilshire Boulevard in Los Angeles, California, as the "Abraham Lincoln Federal Building" (H. Rept. 105–654);

H.R. 3598, to designate the Federal building located at 700 East San Antonio Street in El Paso, Texas, as the "Richard C. White Federal Building" (H. Rept. 105–655);

S. 2032, to designate the Federal building in Juneau, Alaska, as the "Hurff A. Saunders Federal Building", amended (H. Rept. 105–656);

H.R. 3736, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to make changes relating to H–B nonimmigrants, amended (H. Rept. 105–657);

H. Res. 507, providing special investigative authority for the Committee on Education and the Workforce (H. Rept. 105–658); and

Conference report on H.R. 1385, to consolidate, coordinate, and improve employment, training, literacy, and vocational rehabilitation programs in the United States (H. Rept. 105–659). **Pages 17839, 17983**

Order of Proceedings: Agreed by unanimous consent that it be in order at any time on the legislative day of Thursday, July 30, 1998, to consider in the House the joint resolution, H.J. Res. 120, disapproving the extension of the waiver authority contained in section 402(c) of the Trade Act of 1974 with respect to Vietnam; that the joint resolution be considered as read for amendment; that all points of order against the joint resolution and against its consideration be waived; and that the joint resolution be debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled. **Page 17767**

Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact: The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 629, to grant the consent of the Congress to the Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact by yeas and nays vote of 305 yeas to 117 nays, Roll No. 344. **Page 17755**

H. Res. 511, the rule waiving points of order against the conference report was agreed to by yeas and nays vote of 313 yeas to 108 nays, Roll No. 343. **Page 17747**

VA, HUD, Appropriations: The House passed H.R. 4194, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions,

corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 by a yeas and nays vote of 259 yeas to 164 nays, Roll No. 352. **Page 17767**

Rejected the Obey motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report it back with an amendment that strikes language prohibiting rulemaking by the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) on chemical treatment of upholstery fabrics and strikes Section 425, adopted by the rule, that requires the CPSC to conduct a study on the toxicity of flame retardant chemicals and establish a Chronic Hazard Advisory Panel by a recorded vote of 164 yeas to 261 noes, Roll No. 351. **Page 17825**

On a demand for a separate vote, agreed to the Coburn amendment, numbered 33 and printed in the Congressional Record to, increase VA medical care funding by \$304 million with the offset from FHA mortgage administrative expense funding by a recorded vote of 351 yeas to 73 noes, Roll No. 350. **Page 17824**

Agreed To:

The Obey amendment that reduces Veterans Health Administration medical equipment, land and structures object classifications funding by \$69 million and increases medical care activities by the same amount; **Page 17775**

The DeLauro amendment that prohibits funding by the Consumer Product Safety Commission to be used to develop and enforce the standard for the flammability of children's sleepware sizes 0 through 6x and 7 through 14 (contained in regulations published at 16 CFR part 1615 and part 1616) as the standard was amended effective January 1, 1997; **Page 17776**

The Coburn amendment, numbered 33 and printed in the Congressional Record, that increases VA medical care funding by \$304 million with the offset from FHA mortgage administrative expense funding; **Pages 17778, 17824**

The Berman amendment that prohibits FEMA from transferring funding from the Kaiser Permanente Hospital in Panorama City, California under the Seismic Hazard Mitigation Program for Hospitals or to relocate the hospital to a site more than 3 miles from the current site; **Page 17784**

The Neumann amendment that prohibits any funds to be used for researching methods to reduce methane emissions from cows, sheep, or any other ruminant livestock; **Page 17784**

The Scarborough amendment, numbered 29 and printed in the Congressional Record, that prohibit funds to carry out Executive Order 13083; **Page 17805**

The Hilleary amendment, numbered 32 and printed in the Congressional Record, that increases VA grants to construct state extended care facilities by \$21 million and decreases the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS program funding accordingly (agreed to by a recorded vote of 231 yeas to 200 noes, Roll No. 247); **Pages 17797, 17810**

The Riggs amendment, numbered 31 and printed in the Congressional Record, that prohibits any funds to be used to implement section 12B.2(b) of the Administrative Code of San Francisco, California (agreed to by a recorded vote of 214 ayes to 212 noes, Roll No. 349). **Page 17812**

Rejected:

The Royce amendment, numbered 26 and printed in the Congressional Record that sought to maintain National Science Foundation funding for research at the fiscal year 1998 level of \$2.5 billion; **Page 17768**

The Roemer amendment, numbered 5 and printed in the Congressional Record that sought to cancel funding for the space station. The amendment was debated on July 23 (rejected by a recorded vote of 109 ayes to 323 noes, Roll No. 345); **Page 17809**

The Hinchey amendment, numbered 22 and printed in the Congressional Record that sought to prohibit the use of Veterans Affairs funding to implement the Veterans Equitable Resource Allocation (VERA) system (rejected by a recorded vote of 146 ayes to 285 noes, Roll No. 346); **Pages 17784, 17809**

Withdrawn:

The Nadler amendment to the Hilleary amendment was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to offset the \$21 million increase for VA extended care facilities with a decrease in Space Station funding. **Page 17797**

Points of Order sustained against:

Sec. 423, that sought to require the CPSC to issue a final rule amending its Flammable Fabrics Act standards; **Page 17774**

The Bereuter amendment that sought to require the EPA, in consultation with the National Academy of Sciences, to expedite a study on the health effects of copper in drinking water. **Page 17802**

Congressional Gold Medal to Gerald and Betty Ford: The House passed H.R. 3506, to award a congressional gold medal to Gerald R. and Betty Ford. **Page 17828**

Military Construction Conference Report: The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4059, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 by yeas and nays vote of 417 yeas to 1 nays, Roll No. 353. Earlier, agreed to consider the conference report by unanimous consent. **Page 17828**

Energy and Water Appropriations: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 4060, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives McDade, Rogers, Knollenberg, Frelinghuysen, Parker, Callahan, Dickey, Livingston, Fazio, Visclosky, Edwards, Pastor, and Obey. **Page 17832**

Agreed to the Vento motion to instruct conferees to disagree with the provision in Title IV of the Senate amendment, providing funding for the Denali Commission, and the provision in Title VI of the Senate amendment, the authorization for such Commission. **Page 17832**

Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

National Emergency with Iraq: Message wherein he transmitted his report concerning the national emergency with respect to Iraq—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-291); **Page 17836**

Corporation for Public Broadcasting: Message wherein he transmitted the annual report of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for FY 1997 and the Inventory of the Federal Funds Distributed to Public Telecommunications Entities by Federal Departments and Agencies for FY 1997—referred to the Committee on Commerce; **Page 17836**

Dayton Accords: Message wherein he transmitted his report concerning the benchmarks under which Dayton implementation can continue without the support of a major NATO-led military force—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-292); **Page 17932**

Weapons of Mass Destruction Proliferation Activities: Message wherein he reported that he has exercised his statutory authority to issue an Executive order to amend Executive Order 12938 in order to more effectively respond to the worldwide threat of weapons of mass destruction proliferation activities—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-293); and **Page 17836**

District of Columbia Budget Request Act: Message wherein he transmitted the District of Columbia FY 1999 Budget Request Act—referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-294). **Page 17933**

Integration of the Armed Forces: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 294, recognizing the 50th Anniversary of the integration of the Armed Forces. Agreed to amend the preamble and the title. **Page 17837**

Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriations: The House passed H.R. 4328, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 by yeas and nays vote of 391 yeas to 25 nays, Roll No. 355. **Page 17933**

Agreed To:

The Wolf amendment that provides FAA operating funds from the Airport and Airway Trust Fund; **Page 17957**

The Wolf amendment that makes a technical change to insure that specified funding is available to AMTRAK;

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The Andrews amendment that prohibits any funding by the Amtrak Reform Council for outside consultants;

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The Nadler amendment that provides that only funds from obligations pursuant to sections 1601 and 1602 of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (P.L. 105-178) may be used for improvements to the Miller Highway in New York City; and

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The Roukema amendment that waives the repayment of funds expended on the construction of high occupancy lanes on I-287 in the State of New Jersey under certain conditions.

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Points of Order sustained against:

Language on page 11, line 19; page 16, line 20 through 24; page 18, line 2 through 5, and Section 339.

Pages 17956, 17959

The Nadler amendment that sought to prohibit the use of any funds for improvements or replacement of the Miller Highway in New York City.

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Withdrawn:

The Ackerman amendment was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to prohibit any funds to be obligated or expended for closing a Coast Guard station in fiscal year 1999 unless such closure has been specifically authorized by law; and

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The Barr amendment was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to prohibit the National Transportation Highway Traffic Safety Administration from implementing a rule dealing with a national identification card. The rule implements section 656(b) of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Responsibility Act of 1996.

Pages 17965, 17966

Earlier, the House agreed to H. Res. 510, the rule providing for consideration of the bill by a voice vote.

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Biomaterials Access Assurance Act of 1998: The House passed H.R. 872, to establish rules governing product liability actions against raw materials and bulk component suppliers to medical device manufacturers. Earlier, agreed to the Gekas amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Terry Sanford Federal Building: The House passed H.R. 3982, to designate the Federal building located at 310 New Bern Avenue in Raleigh, North Carolina, as the "Terry Sanford Federal Building". Earlier, agreed to the amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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American Luge Association Races: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 305, authorizing the use of the Capitol grounds for the American Luge Association Races. Earlier, agreed to the amendment in the nature of a substitute; and agreed to amend the title.

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Meeting Hour—July 30: Agreed that when the House adjourns on the legislative day of July 29, it adjourn to meet at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 30.

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Meeting Hour—July 31: Agreed that when the House adjourns On Thursday, July 30, it adjourn to meet at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, July 31.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate appears on page 17745.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 17985.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two quorum calls (Roll No. 348, Roll No. 354), five yea and nay votes and six recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 17754, 17766, 17809, 17810, 17821, 17822, 17824, 17826, 17827, 17831, 17834, and 17968.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 and adjourned at 1:03 a.m. on Thursday, July 30.

Committee Meetings

FOREST SERVICE COST REDUCTION AND FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY ACT

Committee on Agriculture: Held a hearing on H.R. 4149, Forest Service Cost Reduction and Fiscal Accountability Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Francis Pandolfi, Chief Operating Officer, Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

ELECTRONIC COMMERCE

Committee on Commerce: Held a hearing on Electronic Commerce: The Global Electronic Marketplace. Testimony was heard from William M. Daley, Secretary of Commerce; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 4241, Head Start Amendments of 1998; H.R. 4271, Community Services Authorization Act of 1998; and H.R. 4037, to require the Occupational Safety and Health Administration to recognize that electronic forms of providing Material Safety Data Sheets provide the same level of access to information as paper copies and to improve the presentation of safety and emergency information on such Data Sheets.

JOB CORPS OVERSIGHT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing on Job Corps Oversight Part II: Vocational Training Standards. Testimony was heard from Mary H. Silva, National Director, Job Corps, Department of Labor; Cornelia Blanchette, Associate Director, GAO; and public witnesses.

MIDDLE EAST—RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on Recent Developments in the Middle East. Testimony was heard from Martin Indyk, Assistant Secretary, Near East Affairs, Department of State.

SUDAN AND NORTHERN UGANDA CRISES

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights and the Subcommittee on Africa held a joint hearing on the Crises in Sudan and Northern Uganda. Testimony was heard from Susan E. Rice, Assistant Secretary, African Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

CONFLICT RESOLUTION; CHIAPAS, MEXICO—SEARCH FOR PEACE

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere held a hearing on Conflict Resolution: Chiapas, Mexico and the Search for Peace. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

QUALITY HEALTH-CARE COALITION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Held a hearing on H.R. 4277, Quality Health-Care Coalition Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Representative Campbell; Robert Pitofsky, Chairman, FTC; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; INDIAN LAND CONSOLIDATION AMENDMENT ACT

Committee on Resources: Ordered reported the following measures: H. Res. 494, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States has enjoyed the loyalty of the United States citizens of Guam, and that the United States recognizes the centennial anniversary of the Spanish-American War as an opportune time for Congress to reaffirm its commitment to increase self-government consistent with self-determination for the people of Guam; H.R. 1110, Sudbury, Iceboat, and Concord Wild and Scenic Rivers Act; H.R. 2370, amended, Guam Judicial Empowerment Act of 1997; H.R. 2776, to amend the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the establishment of the Morristown National Historical Park in the State of New Jersey, and for other purposes" to authorize the acquisition of property known as the Warren property; H.R. 3445, amended, Oceans Act of 1998; H.R. 4068, amended, to make certain technical corrections in laws relating to Native Americans; H.R. 4079, to authorize the construction of temperature control devices at Folsom Dam in California; and H.R. 4326, Oregon Public Lands Transfer and Protection Act of 1998.

The Committee also held a hearing on H.R. 2743, Indian Land Consolidation Amendment Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Edward B. Cohen, Deputy Solicitor, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

KYOTO PROTOCOL

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing on Kyoto Protocol: The Undermining of American Prosperity? Part 2—The Science. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MARINE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing on the Needs of the U.S. Marine Transportation System: The Waterways, Ports, and Their Intermodal Connections. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Adm. James M. Loy, Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard; and John Graykowski, Acting Administrator, Maritime Administration; Charles M. Hess, Chief, Operations Division, Directorate of Civil Works, Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported amended the following measures: H.R. 4342, Miscellaneous Trade and Technical Corrections Act of 1998; and H. Con. Res. 213, expressing the sense of the Congress that the European Union is unfairly restricting the importation of United States agriculture products and the elimination of such restrictions should be a top priority in trade negotiations with the European Union.

MILITARY OPERATIONS SUPPORT

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Technical and Tactical Intelligence met in executive session to hold a hearing on Support to Military Operations. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

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Senate**Chamber Action**

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Measures Introduced: Twenty-four bills and six resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2371–2394, S. Con. Res. 114–115, and S. Res. 260–263. **Page 18100**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 442, to establish a national policy against State and local government interference with interstate commerce on the Internet or interactive computer services, and to exercise Congressional jurisdiction over interstate commerce by establishing a moratorium on the imposition of exactions that would interfere with the free flow of commerce via the Internet, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–276)

S. 2375, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, to strengthen prohibitions on international bribery and other corrupt practices. (S. Rept. No. 105-277)

S. 2279, to amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize the programs of the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal years 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105-278)

Special Report on Further Revised Allocation To Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 1999. (S. Rept. No. 105-279)

H.R. 3528, to amend title 28, United States Code, with respect to the use of alternative dispute resolution processes in United States district courts, with amendments.

S. Res. 193, designating December 13, 1998, as "National Children's Memorial Day".

S. 1031, to protect Federal law enforcement officers who intervene in certain situations to protect life or prevent bodily injury, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S.J. Res. 51, granting the consent of Congress to the Potomac Highlands Airport Authority Compact entered into between the States of Maryland and West Virginia.

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Department of Defense Appropriations, 1999: By 97 yeas to 2 nays (Vote No. 252), Senate passed H.R. 4103, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 2132, Senate companion measure, after taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

Pages 18001, 18029, 18037, 18091

Adopted:

Stevens/Inouye Modified Amendment No. 3391, to provide a 3.6 percent pay raise for military personnel during Fiscal Year 1999.

Pages 18004, 18022

Stevens Amendment No. 3392, to provide additional funds for U.S. military operations in Bosnia as an emergency requirement.

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Subsequently, the amendment was modified.

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Roberts Amendment No. 3393, to impose a limitation on deployments of United States forces to Yugoslavia, Albania, or Macedonia.

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Abraham/Hutchinson Amendment No. 2964, to provide for improved monitoring of human rights in the People's Republic of China.

Pages 18029, 18038

Hutchinson Amendment No. 3124, to condemn those officials of the Chinese Communist Party, the Government of the People's Republic of China, and other persons who are involved in the enforcement of forced abortions by preventing such person from entering or remaining in the United States, and to express the sense of the Congress that the President should make freedom of reli-

gion one of the major objects of United States foreign policy with respect to China. (By 29 yeas to 70 nays (Vote No. 248), Senate earlier failed to table the amendment.)

Pages 18012, 18023, 18038, 18053

By a unanimous vote of 99 yeas (Vote No. 250), Hutchinson Amendment No. 3419 (to Amendment No. 3124), of a perfecting nature.

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Hutchinson Amendment No. 3409, to express the sense of the Congress that the readiness of the United States Armed Forces to execute the National Security Strategy of the United States is eroded from a combination of declining defense budget and expended missions, including the ongoing commitment of U.S. forces to the peace-keeping mission in Bosnia.

Pages 18019, 18077

Stevens (for Akaka) Amendment No. 3420, to set aside \$12,000,000 for continuation of electric and hybrid-electric vehicle development.

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Stevens (for Bingaman/Domenici) Amendment No. 3421, to set aside \$2,250,000 for the Defense Systems Evaluation program for support of test and training operations at White Sands Missile Range, New Mexico, and Fort Bliss, Texas.

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Stevens (for Cochran) Amendment No. 3422, to provide \$1,000,000 for Acoustic Sensor Technology Development Planning for the Department of Defense.

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Stevens (for Domenici/Harkin) Amendment No. 3423, to require the Secretary of Defense to report on food stamp assistance for Armed Forces families, and to require the Comptroller General to study and report on issues relating to the family life, morale, and retention of members of the Armed Forces.

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Stevens (for Durbin) Amendment No. 3424, relating to the conveyance of the remaining Army Reserve property at former Fort Sheridan, Illinois.

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Stevens (for Gregg) Amendment No. 3425, to require a conveyance of certain property at former Pease Air Force Base, New Hampshire.

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Stevens (for Hollings) Amendment No. 3426, to make available up to \$10,000,000 for the Department of Defense share of environmental restoration at Defense Logistics Agency inventory location 429 (Macalloy site) in Charleston, South Carolina.

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Stevens (for Inouye) Amendment No. 3427, to designate funds for a strategic materials manufacturing project.

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Stevens (for Inouye) Amendment No. 3428, to authorize the transportation of American Samoa veterans to Hawaii on Department of Defense aircraft for receipt of veterans medical care in Hawaii.

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Stevens (for Inouye) Amendment No. 3429, to provide that the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the President and the Congressional Defense Committees a report regarding the potential for development of Ford Island within the Pearl Harbor Naval Complex, Oahu, Hawaii.

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Stevens (for Kennedy) Amendment No. 3430, to reduce funds available for Navy S-3 Weapon System Improvement program and to provide funds for a cyber-security program. **Page 18059**

Stevens (for Sarbanes) Amendment No. 3431, to provide additional funding for repair of the Korean War Veterans Memorial. **Page 18059**

Stevens (for McConnell/Ford) Amendment No. 3432, to set aside \$18,000,000 for the Assembled Chemical Weapons Assessment for demonstrations of technologies and a pilot scale facility. **Page 18060**

Stevens (for Mack) Amendment No. 3433, to authorize the lease of real property at the Naval Air Warfare Center, Training Systems Division, Orlando, Florida. **Page 18060**

Stevens (for Mikulski) Amendment No. 3434, to provide for the funding of a vessel scrapping pilot program. **Page 18060**

Stevens (for Lott) Amendment No. 3435, to provide that the Department of Defense shall, in allocating funds for the Next Generation Internet initiative, give full consideration to the allocation of funds to the regional partnerships that will best leverage Department investments in the Department of Defense Major Shared Resources Centers and Centers with supercomputers. **Page 18060**

Stevens (for Murkowski) Amendment No. 3436, to provide \$500,000 for payment of subcontractors and suppliers under an Army services contract. **Page 18060**

Stevens (for Shelby) Amendment No. 3437, to designate funds to continue an electronic circuit board manufacturing program. **Page 18060**

Stevens (for Specter) Amendment No. 3438, to reestablish the Commission To Assess the Organization of the Federal Government To Combat the Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction. **Page 18060**

Stevens Amendment No. 3439, to designate funds for the procurement of Multiple Integrated laser Engagement System (MILES) training equipment. **Page 18060**

Stevens Amendment No. 3440, to strike the emergency designation for the funds authorized to be appropriated for the costs of overseas contingency operations. **Page 18061**

Stevens (for Coats) Amendment No. 3441, to reduce funds available for development of the Army Joint Tactical Radio and to provide funds for the development of the Army Near Term Digital Radio. **Page 18061**

Stevens (for Warner) Amendment No. 3442, to designate Army Digitization funds for development of the Digital Intelligence Situation Mapboard. **Page 18061**

Stevens (for Boxer) Amendment No. 3443, to set aside \$5,000,000 of Navy research, development, test, and evaluation funds for the Shortstop Electronic Protection System, which is to be developed for use in urban warfare, littoral operations, and peacekeeping operations. **Page 18061**

Stevens (for Ford) Amendment No. 3444, to revise and clarify the authority for Federal support of National Guard drug interdiction and counterdrug activities. **Page 18061**

Stevens (for Dodd) Amendment No. 3445, to set aside funds for research and surveillance activities relating to Lyme disease and other tick-borne diseases. **Page 18061**

Stevens (for Kerry) Amendment No. 3446, to make available \$3,000,000 for advanced research relating to solid state dye lasers. **Page 18061**

Stevens (for McCain/Kyl) Amendment No. 3447, to authorize the Secretary of Defense to lease a parcel of real property from the City of Phoenix. **Page 18061**

Stevens (for Kyl) Amendment No. 3448, to designate Army RDT&E funds for integration and evaluation of a passenger safety system for heavy tactical trucks. **Page 18061**

Stevens (for Grassley) Amendment No. 3449, relating to matching disbursements for financial accounting. **Page 18061**

Stevens (for Harkin) Amendment No. 3450, to increase the amount provided for research and development relating to Persian Gulf illnesses. **Page 18061**

Stevens Amendment No. 3451, to reduce funds available for development of the Navy Hard and Deeply Buried Target Defeat System and to provide funds for the procurement of Joint Tactical Combat Training System (JTCTS) equipment. **Page 18062**

Stevens (for Faircloth) Amendment No. 3452, to require a comprehensive assessment of the TRICARE program. **Page 18062**

Stevens Amendment No. 3453, to authorize the Secretary of the Army and the Secretary of the Air Force to enter into one or more multiyear leases of non-tactical firefighting, crash rescue, or snow removal equipment. **Page 18063**

Stevens (for Bumpers) Amendment No. 3454, to provide funds for a Domestic Preparedness Sustainment Training Center. **Page 18063**

Stevens (for Faircloth) Amendment No. 3455, to ensure that a balanced investment is made in the Aerostat development program. **Page 18063**

Stevens (for Baucus/Burns) Amendment No. 3456, to provide funds for the redevelopment of Havre Air Force Base and Training Site, Montana, for public benefit purposes. **Page 18064**

Stevens (for McCain/Hutchison) Amendment No. 3457, to repeal limitations on authority to set rates and waive requirements for reimbursement of expenses incurred for instruction at service academies of persons from foreign countries. **Pages 18064**

Stevens (for Dorgan) Amendment No. 3458, to make small businesses eligible to participate in the Indian Subcontracting Incentive Program. **Page 18064**

Stevens (for McConnell/Ford) Amendment No. 3459, to provide for full funding of the testing of six chemical

demilitarization technologies under the Assembled Chemical Weapons Assessment. **Page 18065**

Stevens (for Wellstone) Amendment No. 3460, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the use of child soldiers in armed conflict. **Page 18065**

Stevens (for Faircloth) Amendment No. 3461, to provide that funds available for Pulsed Fast Neutron Analysis Project should be executed through cooperation with the Office of National Drug Control Policy. **Page 18065**

Stevens (for Bennett) Amendment No. 3462, to designate funds for the development and testing of alternate turbine engines for missiles. **Page 18065**

Stevens (for Gramm) Amendment No. 3463, to guarantee the right of all active duty military personnel, merchant mariners, and their dependents to vote in Federal, State, and local elections. **Page 18065**

Inouye (for Moseley-Braun) Amendment No. 3464, to provide for the conversion of the Eighth Regiment National Guard Armory into a Chicago Military Academy. **Page 18065**

Stevens (for D'Amato) Amendment No. 3466, to require the Air National Guard to provide support for Coast Guard seasonal search and rescue operations at Francis S. Gabreski Airport, Hampton, New York. **Pages 18071, 18073**

Stevens (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 3467, to require the Secretary of Defense to carry out a program to donate surplus dental equipment to the Indian Health Service Facilities and to Federally-qualified health centers that serve rural and medically underserved populations. **Page 18073**

Stevens (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 3468, to require a report on uniformed services dental care policies, practices, and experience pertaining to furnishing of dental services to dependents of members of the uniformed services on active duty. **Page 18074**

Stevens (for Dodd) Amendment No. 3469, to make funds available for actions necessary to eliminate the backlog of unpaid retired pay relating to Army service and to report to Congress. **Page 18074**

Stevens (for Harkin) Amendment No. 3470, to require the Secretary of Defense to take action to ensure the elimination of the backlog of incomplete actions on requests for replacement medals and replacement of other decorations. **Page 18074**

Stevens (for Harkin) Amendment No. 3471, to provide tobacco cessation therapy. **Page 18074**

Stevens (for Frist) Amendment No. 3472, to make available funds for procurement of lightweight maintenance enclosures (LME) for the Army and the Marine Corps. **Page 18074**

Stevens (for Dorgan) Amendment No. 3473, to require the abatement of hazardous substances at Finley Air Force Station, Finley, North Dakota. **Page 18074**

Stevens (for DeWine) Amendment No. 3474, to provide additional resources for enhanced drug interdiction efforts in the Caribbean and South America. **Page 18075**

Stevens (for Wellstone) Amendment No. 3475, to provide for enhanced protections of the confidentiality of records of family advocacy services and other professional support services relating to incidents of sexual harassment, sexual abuse, and intrafamily abuse. **Page 18075**

Robb Amendment No. 3476, to express the sense of the Congress that the United States should resolve the claims of the victims of the U.S. Marine Corps aircraft incident in Cavalese, Italy as quickly and fairly as possible. **Page 18075**

Leahy Amendment No. 3477, to prohibit the use of funds to support training programs of security forces of a foreign country if such unit has committed a violation of human rights. **Page 18076**

Stevens (for Santorum) Amendment No. 3394, to add \$8,200,000 for procurement of M888, 60-millimeter, high-explosive ammunition for the Marine Corps, and to offset the increase by reducing the amount for Air Force war reserve materials (PE 13950). **Page 18077**

Stevens (for Kerrey) Amendment No. 3478, to express the sense of the Senate regarding payroll tax relief. **Page 18084**

Rejected:

Feingold Amendment No. 3397, to provide additional funds for the Army National Guard operation and maintenance account, and reduce the amount provide for procurement for the F/A-18E/F aircraft program. (By 80 yeas to 19 nays (Vote No. 247), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages 18007, 18011, 18037**

Hutchison Amendment No. 3413, to condition the use of appropriated funds for the purpose of an orderly and honorable reduction of U.S. ground forces in the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina. (By 68 yeas to 31 nays (Vote No. 249), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages 18022, 18039, 18052**

Durbin Amendment No. 3465, to prohibit the availability of funds for offensive military operations except in accordance with Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution. (By 84 yeas to 15 nays (Vote No. 251), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Page 18066**

Withdrawn:

Kyl Amendment No. 3398, to limit the use of funds pending establishment of the position of Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Technology Security Policy. **Pages 18010, 18073**

Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Stevens, Cochran, Specter, Domenici, Bond, McConnell, Shelby, Gregg, Hutchison, Inouye, Hollings, Byrd, Leahy, Bumpers, Lautenberg, Harkin, and Dorgan. **Page 18092**

Subsequently, S. 2132 was indefinitely postponed. **Page 18092**

Department of Transportation Appropriations, 1999: Pursuant to the order of July 23, 1998, Senate passed H.R. 4328, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 2307, Senate companion measure, as passed by the Senate on July 24, 1998. **Page 18070**

Also, pursuant to the order of July 23, 1998, passage of S. 2307 was vitiated and the bill was indefinitely postponed. **Page 18070**

VA/HUD Appropriations, 1999: Pursuant to the order of July 16, 1998, Senate passed H.R. 4194, making appropriations for the Department of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 2168, Senate companion measure, as passed by the Senate on July 17, 1998, insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Bond, Burns, Stevens, Shelby, Campbell, Craig, Mikulski, Leahy, Lautenberg, Harkin, and Byrd. **Page 18070**

Also, pursuant to the order of July 16, 1998, passage of S. 2168 was vitiated and the bill was indefinitely postponed. **Page 18070**

Congressional Adjournment: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 114, providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives. **Page 18088**

Emergency Farm Financial Relief: Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry was discharged from further consideration of S. 2344, to amend the Agricultural Market Transition Act to provide for the advance payment, in full, of the fiscal year 1999 payments otherwise required under production flexibility contracts, and the bill was then passed. **Page 18088**

Patriotic and National Observances, Ceremonies, and Organizations: Senate passed H.R. 1085, to revise, codify, and enact without substantive change certain general and permanent laws, related to patriotic and national observances, ceremonies, and organizations, as title 36, United States Code, "Patriotic and National Observances, Ceremonies, and Organizations", clearing the measure for the President. **Page 18172**

Printing Authority: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 115, to authorize the printing of copies of the publication entitled "The United States Capitol" as a Senate document. **Page 18172**

Authorizing Payment of Expenses: Senate agreed to S. Res. 263, to authorize the payment of expenses of rep-

resentatives of the Senate attending the funeral of a Senator. **Page 18172**

Antitrust Laws/Major League Baseball: Senate passed S. 53, to require the general application of the antitrust laws to major league baseball, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 18172**

Jeffords (for Hatch) Amendment No. 3479, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 18173**

Granting Consent of Congress: Senate passed S. 1134, granting the consent and approval of Congress to an interstate forest fire protection compact. **Page 18176**

Biomaterials Access Assurance Act: Senate passed H.R. 872, to establish rules governing product liability actions against raw materials and bulk component supplies to medical device manufacturers, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 18178**

Identity Theft and Assumption Deterrence Act: Senate passed S. 512, to amend chapter 47 of title 18, United States Code, relating to identity fraud, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 18180**

Jeffords (for Kyl) Amendment No. 3480, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 18181**

Freedom From Government Competition Act: Senate passed S. 314, to provide a process for identifying the functions of the Federal Government that are not inherently governmental functions, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 18183**

Border Improvement and Immigration Act: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 2920, to amend the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 to modify the requirements for implementation of an entry-exit control system, and the bill was then passed after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 1360, Senate companion measure, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 18185**

Jeffords (for Abraham) Amendment No. 3481, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 18186**

Subsequently, S. 1360 was returned to the Senate Calendar. **Page 18189**

Steve Schiff Auditorium: Senate passed H.R. 3731, to designate the auditorium located within the Sandia Technology Transfer Center in Albuquerque, New Mexico, as the "Steve Schiff Auditorium", clearing the measure for the President. **Page 18189**

Commercial Space Act: Senate passed H.R. 1702, to encourage the development of a commercial space indus-

try in the United States, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Jeffords (for Frist) Amendment No. 3482, to modify the provisions relating to national launch capability.

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Job Training Partnership Act—Conference Report:

Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 1385, to consolidate, coordinate, and improve employment, training, literacy, and vocational rehabilitation programs in the United States.

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Treasury/Postal Service Appropriations, 1999: Senate resumed consideration of S. 2312, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Pending:

McConnell Amendment No. 3379, to provide for appointment and term length for the staff director and general counsel of the Federal Election Commission. (By 45 yeas to 54 nays (Vote No. 246), Senate failed to table the amendment.)

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Glenn Amendment No. 3380, to provide additional funding for enforcement activities of the Federal Election Commission.

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Graham/Mack Amendment No. 3381, to provide funding for the Central Florida High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area.

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Campbell (for Grassley) Amendment No. 3386, to protect Federal law enforcement officers who intervene in certain situations to protect life or prevent bodily injury.

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Harkin Amendment No. 3387, to provide additional funding to reduce methamphetamine usage in High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas.

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Kohl (for Kerrey) Amendment No. 3389, to express the sense of the Senate regarding payroll tax relief.

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Withdrawn:

Stevens Amendment No. 3385, to provide for an adjustment in the computation of annuities for certain Federal officers and employees relating to average pay determinations.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and amendments pending thereto.

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Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact Consent Act Conference Report—Agreement:

A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the conference report on H.R. 629, to grant the consent of Congress to the Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact.

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Military Constructions Appropriations Conference Report—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of H.R. 4059, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Scott E. Thomas, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Federal Election Commission for a term expiring April 30, 2003.

Darryl R. Wold, of California, to be a Member of the Federal Election Commission for a term expiring April 30, 2001.

Raymond L. Bramucci, of New Jersey, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor.

Deidre A. Lee, of Oklahoma, to be Administrator for Federal Procurement Policy.

Thelma J. Askey, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the United States International Trade Commission for the remainder of the term expiring December 16, 2000.

Jennifer Anne Hillman, of Indiana, to be a Member of the United States International Trade Commission for the term expiring December 16, 2006.

Stephen Koplan, of Virginia, to be a Member of the United States International Trade Commission for the term expiring June 16, 2005.

David M. Mason, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Election Commission for a term expiring April 30, 2003.

Rosina M. Bierbaum, of Virginia, to be an Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy.

Diane D. Blair, of Arkansas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2004.

Jonathan H. Spalter, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Director of the United States Information Agency.

L. Britt Snider, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Central Intelligence Agency.

Hugh Q. Parmer, of Texas, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Agency for International Development.

Kelley S. Coyner, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation.

Carolyn H. Becraft, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Navy.

Ruby Butler DeMesme, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Air Force.

Patrick T. Henry, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army.

Karl J. Sandstrom, of Washington, to be a Member of the Federal Election Commission for a term expiring April 30, 2001.

Ritajeau Hartung Butterworth, of Washington, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2004.

9 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

79 Army nominations in the rank of general.

11 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, Navy. **Pages 18201, 18196**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Francis M. Allegra, of Virginia, to be Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

Legrome D. Davis, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

Michael M. Reyna, of California, to be a Member of the Farm Credit Administration Board, Farm Credit Administration, for a term expiring May 21, 2004.

Cardell Cooper, of New Jersey, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Charles G. Groat, of Texas, to be Director of the United States Geological Survey.

David C. Williams, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Department of the Treasury.

Claiborne deB. Pell, of Rhode Island, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Fifty-third Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Rod Grams, of Minnesota, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Fifty-third Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Joseph R. Biden, of Delaware, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Fifty-third Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

John U. Sepulveda, of New York, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Personnel Management.

Montie R. Deer, of Kansas, to be Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission for the term of three years.

Joseph E. Stevens, Jr., of Missouri, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Harry S Truman Scholarship Foundation for a term expiring December 10, 2003.

Stephen W. Preston, of the District of Columbia, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Navy.

Harold Lucas, of New Jersey, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Routine lists in the Army, Air Force, and Navy.

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Nominations Withdrawn: Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following Nominations:

Daryl L. Jones, of Florida, to be Secretary of the Air Force, vice Sheila Widnall, resigned, which was sent to the Senate on October 22, 1997.

Tadd Johnson, of Minnesota, to be Chair of the National Indian Gaming Commission for the term of three years, vice Harold A. Monteau, resigned, which was sent to the Senate on July 31, 1997, and September 2, 1997.

Cardell Cooper, of New Jersey, to be an Assistant Administrator, Office of Solid Waste, Environmental Protection Agency, vice Elliott Pearson Laws, resigned, which was sent to the Senate on September 2, 1997. **Page 18202**

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Record Votes: Seven record votes were taken today. (Total—252) **Pages 18037, 18052, 18053, 18073, 18092**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 11:05 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Friday, July 31, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 18203.)

Committee Meetings

OVER-THE-COUNTER DERIVATIVES

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings to examine the legal, economic, and regulatory implications of a recently issued Commodity Futures Trading Commission concept release on regulation of over-the-counter derivatives, and on proposed legislation to provide legal certainty to the over-the-counter derivative market, after receiving testimony from Brooksley Born, Chairperson, Commodity Futures Trading Commission; Lawrence H. Summers, Deputy Secretary of the Treasury; Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Arthur Levitt, Chairman, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission; Thomas W. Jasper, Salomon Smith Barney, New York, New York, on behalf of the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc.; and William P. Miller II, The Common Fund, Westport, Connecticut, on behalf of the End-Users of Derivatives Association.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1405, to provide for improved monetary policy and regulatory reform in financial institution management and activities, to streamline financial regulatory agency

actions, and to provide for improved consumer credit disclosure, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nomination of Rebecca M. Blank, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisers.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Romulo L. Diaz, Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Administrator for Administration and Resources Management, and J. Charles Fox, of Maryland, to be Assistant Administrator for Water, both of the Environmental Protection Agency, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Fox was introduced by Senator Sarbanes.

NRC REFORM

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Clean Air, Wetlands, Private Property, and Nuclear Safety concluded oversight hearings on the structure and functions of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, focusing on its license renewal process, after receiving testimony from Shirley Ann Jackson, Chairman, and Nils J. Diaz and Edward McGaffigan, both Commissioners, all of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission; Gary Jones, Associate Director, Energy, Resources, and Science Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; Joe F. Colvin, Nuclear Energy Institute, and David A. Lochbaum, Union of Concerned Scientists, both of Washington, D.C.; James T. Rhodes, Institute of Nuclear Power Operations, Atlanta, Georgia; and Steven M. Fetter, Fitch IBCA Inc., New York, New York.

MEDICARE+CHOICE PROGRAM

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings to examine efforts to implement the Medicare+Choice program which provides new health care options for beneficiaries, receiving testimony from Michael Hash, Deputy Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Sally Gronda, Tampa Bay Regional Council Area Agency on Aging, St. Petersburg, Florida, on behalf of the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging; Daniel Lestage, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Florida, Jacksonville, on behalf of the Blue Cross Blue Shield Association; Janet G. Newport, PacificCare Health Systems, Santa Ana, California, on behalf of the American Association of Health Plans; James T. Paquette, Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth, Billings, Montana, on behalf of the American Hospital Association; Steven J. Smith, St. Joseph Healthcare System, Albuquerque, New Mexico; and Thomas R. Reardon, Portland, Oregon, on behalf of the American Medical Association.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

CENSUS 2000

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine the status of preparations for the Year 2000 Decennial Census, after receiving testimony from J. Christopher Mihm, Associate Director, Federal Management and Workforce Issues, and Victoria Miller and Bruce Taylor, both Senior Evaluators, all of the General Government Division, General Accounting Office.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nominations of Carl J. Barbier, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana, David R. Herndon, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois, Gerald Bruce Lee, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, Nora M. Manella, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, Rebecca R. Pallmeyer, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, Jeanne E. Scott, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of Illinois, Patricia A. Seitz, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida; Paul M. Warner, to be United States Attorney for the District of Utah, and Howard Hikaru Tagomori, to be United States Marshal for the District of Hawaii;

S. 1031, to protect Federal law enforcement officers who intervene in certain situations to protect life or prevent bodily injury, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 3528, to amend title 28, United States Code, with respect to the use of alternative dispute resolution processes in United States district courts, with amendments;

S.J. Res. 51, granting the consent of Congress to the Potomac Highlands Airport Authority Compact entered into between the States of Maryland and West Virginia; and

S. Res. 193, designating December 13, 1998, as "National Children's Memorial Day".

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Marsha L. Berzon, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Donovan W. Frank, to be United States District Judge for the District of Minnesota, and Richard M. Berman, Alvin K. Hellerstein, Colleen McMahon, and William H. Pauley, III, each to be a United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Ms. Berzon was introduced by Senators Feinstein, Boxer, D'Amato, and Moynihan, Mr. Frank was introduced by Senators Wellstone and Grams, and Messrs. Berman,

Hellerstein, and Pauley and Ms. McMahon were introduced by Senators D'Amato and Moynihan.

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Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 11 public bills, H.R. 4353–4363; and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 313, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 513, providing for consideration of H.R. 3736, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to make changes relating to H-1B nonimmigrants (H. Rept. 105–660); and

H.R. 2921, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to require the Federal Communications Commission to conduct an inquiry into the impediments to the development of competition in the market for multichannel video programming distribution, amended (H. Rept. 105–661, Part 1).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Emerson to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Douglas Tanner of Washington, D.C.

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Education Committee Investigative Authority: The House agreed to H. Res. 507, providing special investigative authority for the Committee on Education and the Workforce, by a recorded vote of 222 ayes to 200 noes, Roll No. 357. Earlier, agreed to the Rules Committee amendment to the resolution.

Pages 18205, 18232

Vietnam Waiver Disapproval: The House failed to pass H.J. Res. 120, disapproving the extension of the waiver authority contained in section 402(c) of the Trade Act of 1974 with respect to Vietnam, by a yea and nay vote of 163 yeas to 260 nays, Roll No. 356.

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Commerce, Justice, State, Judiciary Appropriations: The House agreed to H. Res. 508, the rule providing for consideration of H.R. 4276, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, by voice vote.

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Bipartisan Campaign Integrity Act: The House resumed consideration of amendments to H.R. 2183, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to reform the financing of campaigns for elections for Federal office. The bill was last debated on July 20.

Pages 18242, 18273

Agreed To:

The Salmon amendment to the Shays amendment that requires the President to post on the Internet the names of all non-governmental persons who are passengers on Air Force One or Air Force Two within 30 days of the flight;

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The Linda Smith of Washington amendment that clarifies the term "express advocacy" and provides an exception for voting record and voting guide information. The amendment was debated on July 20 (agreed to by a recorded vote of 343 ayes to 84 noes, Roll No. 361);

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The Traficant amendment, as modified, to the Shays amendment that requires the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct to make a report and recommend to the House concerning any Member who is convicted of accepting a foreign campaign contribution. The report may include a recommendation for expulsion;

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The Blunt amendment, as modified, to the Shays amendment that specifies that the FEC may not include background music or lyrics to determine whether broadcast advertisement is "express advocacy";

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The Shadegg amendment to the Shays amendment that establishes expedited court review of certain alleged violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971;

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The Stearns amendment to the Shays amendment that establishes criminal penalties for violating the spending limits applicable to the candidate under the Federal Election Campaign Act; and

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The Gekas amendment, as modified, to the Shays amendment that requires political committees to transfer suspected illegal or improper campaign contributions of over \$500 to the Federal Election Commission for evaluation and investigation.

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Rejected:

The Goodlatte amendment that sought to repeal the requirement for States to provide for voter registration by mail and includes provisions to reform voter registration. The amendment was debated on July 20 (rejected by a recorded vote of 165 ayes to 260 noes, Roll No. 358);

Page 18263

The Wicker amendment that sought to permit States to require photo identification before receiving a ballot for voting in an election for Federal office. The amendment was debated on July 20 (rejected by a recorded vote of 192 ayes to 231 noes, Roll No. 359);

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The Calvert amendment that sought to limit the amount of congressional candidates contributions from individuals not residing in the district or State involved to 50 percent. The amendment was debated on July 20 (rejected by a recorded vote of 147 ayes to 278 noes, Roll No. 360);

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The Rohrabacher amendment to the Shays amendment that sought to allow a candidate whose opponent spends more than \$1,000 in personal funds to accept contributions from any legal source up to the same level as the

opponent spends in personal funds (rejected by a recorded vote of 155 ayes to 272 noes, Roll No. 362);

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The Paul amendment to the Shays amendment that sought to establish minimum ballot petition signature limits and restrict the imposition of the signature requirements imposed by states (rejected by a recorded vote of 62 ayes to 363 noes, Roll No. 363);

Pages 18245, 18268

The Paul amendment to the Shays amendment that sought to require that candidates who receive campaign financing from the Presidential Election Campaign Fund agree not to participate in multicandidate forums that exclude candidates with broad-based public support (rejected by a recorded vote of 88 ayes to 337 noes, Roll No. 364);

Pages 18248, 18268

The DeLay amendment to the Shays amendment that sought to clarify that certain communications from citizen groups are exempt from express advocacy requirements (rejected by a recorded vote of 185 ayes to 241 noes, Roll No. 365);

Pages 18251, 18269

The Peterson of Pennsylvania amendment to the Shays amendment that sought to establish a voter eligibility pilot confirmation program to verify citizenship (rejected by a recorded vote of 165 ayes to 260 noes, Roll No. 366);

Pages 18256, 18270

Votes postponed on the following:

The Barr amendment to the Shays amendment that prohibits the use of bilingual voting materials;

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The McIntosh amendment to the Shays amendment that specifies that a communication with a Senator or Member of the House of Representatives regarding a pending legislative matter to be construed as to establish coordination with a candidate;

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The Horn amendment to the Shays amendment that allows reduced postage rates for principal campaign committees of congressional candidates;

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The Shaw amendment to the Shays amendment that requires at least 50 percent of contributions accepted by House candidates to come from in-state residents;

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The Kaptur amendment, as modified, to the Shays amendment that establishes a clearinghouse of information on political activities within the Federal Election Commission;

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The Stearns amendment to the Shays amendment that allows permanent resident aliens serving in the armed forces to make campaign contributions;

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The Stearns amendment to the Shays amendment that requires any candidate for President or Vice President to certify that the candidate will not solicit soft money;

Page 18289

The Whitfield amendment to the Shays amendment that increases the contribution limit to candidates from individuals from \$1,000 to \$3,000;

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The Whitfield amendment to the Shays amendment that defines "express advocacy" as a communication that advocates the election or defeat of a candidate by containing a phrase such as "vote for", "reelect", or "defeat"; and

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The English of Pennsylvania amendment to the Shays amendment that prohibits the bundling of contributions.

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The House is considering the bill pursuant to the unanimous consent order of July 17 and H. Res. 442 and H. Res. 458, the rules providing for consideration of the bill.

D.C. Convention Center and Sports Arena: The House passed H.R. 4237, to amend the District of Columbia Convention Center and Sports Arena Authorization Act of 1995 to revise the revenues and activities covered under such act.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate appear on pages 18204, and 18273.

Referrals: S. Con. Res. 97 was referred to the Committee on International Relations.

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Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 18301.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea and nay votes and ten recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 18232, 18233, 18264, 18265, 18266, 18267, 18268, 18269, and 18270. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 1:00 p.m. and adjourned at 12:29 a.m. on July 31.

Committee Meetings

FARM ECONOMY

Committee on Agriculture: Held a hearing to review the state of the farm economy. Testimony was heard from Dan Glickman, Secretary of Agriculture; and public witnesses.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS; SUBDIVISION ALLOCATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the District of Columbia appropriations for fiscal year 1999.

The Committee also approved revised Section 302(b) Subdivision allocations.

FANNIE MAE AND FREDDIE MAC—HUD'S ROLE AS MISSION REGULATOR

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Securities and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing on a GAO Study of HUD's Role as Mission Regulator of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. Testimony was heard from Nancy Kingsbury, Assistant Comptroller General, General Government Division, GAO; and the following officials of the Department

of Housing and Urban Development: Ira G. Peppercorn, General Deputy Assistant Secretary, Housing; and Mark Kinsey, Acting Director, Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight.

FEDERAL MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH ACT REVIEW

Committee on Education and Workforce: Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a hearing to review the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE MANAGEMENT IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held a hearing on H.R. 3921, Federal Financial Assistance Management Improvement Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Representatives Portman and Hoyer; Robert Childree, Comptroller, State of Alabama; and a public witness.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on House Oversight: Ordered reported H. Res. 506, providing amounts for further expenses of the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct in the second session of the One Hundred Fifth Congress.

The Committee also approved pending Committee business.

OVERSIGHT—CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES USED TO COMMIT DATE RAPE

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Crime held an oversight hearing on the use of controlled substances used to commit date rape. Testimony was heard from John H. King, III, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, DEA, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

BUREAU OF ENFORCEMENT AND BORDER AFFAIRS; PRIVATE IMMIGRATION BILL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 4264, to establish the Bureau of Enforcement and Border Affairs within the Department of Justice.

The Subcommittee also approved a motion requesting a report from the Immigration and Naturalization Service on a private immigration bill.

OCEANOGRAPHIC MONITORING STATUS

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans held a hearing on the status of oceanographic monitoring and assessment efforts on both global and local scales. Testimony was heard from D. James Baker, Under Secretary, Oceans and Atmosphere, Department of Commerce; Rita Colwell, Director, NSF; Rear Adm. Paul G. Gaffney, II, USN, Chief, Naval Research, Department of the Navy; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT PARITY

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held an oversight hearing on National Environmental Policy Act Parity. Testimony was heard from Michael Dombeck, Chief, Forest Service, USDA; Ted Ferroli, Senator, State of Oregon; L. Earl Peterson, State Forester, Division of Forestry, State of Florida; and public witnesses.

WORKFORCE IMPROVEMENT AND PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule providing 1 hour of general debate on H.R. 3736, Workforce Improvement and Protection Act of 1998. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill in the House. The rule provides that in lieu of the amendment recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the bill, the amendment printed in the Congressional Record numbered 1 shall be considered as adopted. The rule makes in order the further amendment printed in the Congressional Record numbered 2, which will be in order without the intervention of any point of order, and will be debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Smith of Texas and Watt of North Carolina.

AFRICAN AVIATION INITIATIVE; AVIATION BILATERAL ACCOUNTABILITY ACT; TRANSATLANTIC ALLIANCES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on the Department of Transportation's African Aviation Initiative, H.R. 3741, Aviation Bilateral Accountability Act of 1998, and European Commission's preliminary position on 2 transatlantic alliances. Testimony was heard from Rodney Slater, Secretary of Transportation; and public witnesses.

FATHERHOOD INITIATIVE

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing on the Fatherhood Initiative. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

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Measures Introduced: Thirty-one bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2395–2425 and S. Res. 264–267. **Page 18392**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2400, to authorize the negotiation of reciprocal trade agreements, implement certain trade agreements, extend trade preferences to certain developing countries, extend the trade adjustment assistance programs, and for other purposes. (S. Rept. No. 105–280)

S. 263, to prohibit the import, export, sale, purchase, possession, transportation, acquisition, and receipt of bear viscera or products that contain or claim to contain bear viscera, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–281)

S. 361, to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to prohibit the sale, import, and export of products labeled as containing endangered species, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–282)

S. 659, to amend the Great Lakes Fish and Wildlife Restoration Act of 1990 to provide for implementation of recommendations of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service contained in the Great Lakes Fishery Restoration Study Report, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–283)

S. 1970, to require the Secretary of the Interior to establish a program to provide assistance in the conservation of neotropical migratory birds, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 105–284)

S. 2094, to amend the Fish and Wildlife Improvement Act of 1978 to enable the Secretary of the Interior to more effectively use the proceeds of sales of certain items, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 105–285) **Page 18391**

Measures Passed:

Postal Employees Safety Enhancement Act: Senate passed S. 2112, to make the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 applicable to the United States Postal Service in the same manner as any other employer. **Page 18363**

Robert C. Weaver Federal Building: Senate passed S. 1700, to designate the headquarters building of the Department of Housing and Urban Development in Washington, District of Columbia, as the "Robert C. Weaver Federal Building". **Page 18365**

Commending the Naval Nuclear Propulsion Program: Senate agreed to S. Res. 265, commending the Naval Nuclear Propulsion Program on its 50th Anniversary and expressing the sense of the Senate regarding continuation of the program into the 21st century. **Page 18467**

DePaul University Centennial: Senate agreed to S. Res. 266, honoring the centennial of the founding of DePaul University in Chicago, Illinois. **Page 18467**

Health Education Partnerships Act: Senate passed S. 1754, to amend the Public Health Service Act to consolidate and reauthorize health professions and minority and disadvantaged health professions and disadvantaged health education programs, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 18469**

Gordon (for Daschle) Amendment No. 3485, to initiate a coordinated national effort to prevent, detect, and educate the public concerning Fetal Alcohol Syndrome and Fetal Alcohol Effect and to identify effective interventions for children, adolescents, and adults with Fetal Alcohol Syndrome and Fetal Alcohol Effect. **Page 18486**

Foreign Corrupt Practices Act: Senate passed S. 2375, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, and to strengthen prohibitions on international bribery and other corrupt practices. **Page 18486**

Technology Administration Authorization: Senate passed S. 1325, to authorize appropriations for the Technology Administration of the Department of Commerce for fiscal years 1998, 1999, and 2000, after agreeing to committee amendments, and the following amendments proposed thereto: **Page 18489**

Gordon (for Frist) Amendment No. 3486, to make minor and technical corrections. **Page 18492**

Gordon (for Frist) Amendment No. 3487, to make corrections. **Page 18492**

Gordon (for McCain) Amendment No. 3488, relating to environmental technology providers. **Page 18492**

Fastener Quality Act Exemption: Senate passed H.R. 3824, amending the Fastener Quality Act to exempt from its coverage certain fasteners approved by the Federal Aviation Administration for use in aircraft, after agreeing to committee amendments. **Page 18495**

International Obligations: Senate passed S.J. Res. 54, finding the Government of Iraq in unacceptable and material breach of its international obligations, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 18496**

Gordon (for Lott) Amendment No. 3489, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 18497**

Potomac Highlands Airport Authority Compact: Senate passed S.J. Res. 51, granting the consent of Congress to the Potomac Highlands Airport Authority Compact entered into between the States of Maryland and West Virginia. **Page 18498**

Pacific Northwest Emergency Management Arrangement: Senate passed S.J. Res. 35, granting the consent of Congress to the Pacific Northwest Emergency Management Arrangement. **Page 18499**

Alabama Fish Hatchery/Aquacultural Research Center: Senate passed S. 1883, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Marion National Fish Hatchery and

the Claude Harris National Aquacultural Research Center to the State of Alabama. **Page 18500**

JFK Center for the Performing Arts Authorization: Senate passed H.R. 3504, to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize appropriations for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and to further define the criteria for capital repair and operation and maintenance, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 18500**

DC Convention Center/Sports Arena Authorization: Senate passed H.R. 4237, to amend the District of Columbia Convention Center and Sports Arena Authorization Act of 1995 to revise the revenues and activities covered under such Act, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 18502**

American GI Forum Charter: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. 1759, to grant a Federal charter to the American GI Forum of the United States, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 18502**

Gordon (for Hatch) Amendment No. 3490, of a technical nature. **Page 18502**

Carl B. Stokes U.S. Courthouse: Senate passed H.R. 643, to designate the United States courthouse to be constructed at the corner of Superior and Huron Roads, in Cleveland, Ohio, as the "Carl B. Stokes United States Courthouse", clearing the measure for the President. **Page 18503**

Emergency Famine Relief: Senate agreed to S. Res. 267, expressing the sense of the Senate that the President, acting through the United States Agency for International Development, should more effectively secure emergency famine relief for the people of Sudan. **Page 18507**

U.S. Capitol Police Memorial Fund: Senate passed H.R. 4354, to establish the United States Capitol Police Memorial Fund on behalf of the families of Detective John Michael Gibson and Private First Class Jacob Joseph Chestnut of the United States Capitol Police, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 18503**

Military Construction Appropriations Conference Report—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for consideration of the conference report on H.R. 4059, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, with a vote to occur thereon on Tuesday, September 1, 1998, at 9:30 a.m. **Page 18511**

Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact Consent Act Conference Report—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the conference report on H.R. 629,

to grant the consent of Congress to the Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact. **Page 18511**

Foreign Operations Appropriations, 1999—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of S. 2334, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, on Tuesday, September 1, 1998. **Page 18511**

Treaty Approved: The following treaty having passed through the various parliamentary stages up to and including presentation of resolutions of ratification, upon division, two-thirds of the Senators present having voted in the affirmative, the resolution of ratification was agreed to:

Convention on Combating Bribery of Foreign Public Officials in International Business, with one declaration and three provisos. (Treaty Doc. 105-43) **Page 18508**

Authority for Committees: All committees were authorized to file executive and legislative reports during the adjournment of the Senate on Tuesday, August 25, 1998, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. **Page 18510**

Authorities: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding the adjournment of the Senate, the President of the Senate, the President of the Senate pro tempore, and the majority and minority leaders be authorized to make appointments to commissions, committees, boards, conferences, or interparliamentary conferences authorized by law, by concurrent action of the two Houses, or by order of the Senate. **Page 18510**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report concerning the Arab League Boycott of Israel; referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM-154). **Page 18390**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Dan A. Polster, of Ohio, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Ohio.

John D. Kelly, of North Dakota, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit.

Kim McLean Wardlaw, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

Robert G. James, of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana, vice John M. Shaw, retired.

Keith C. Kelly, of Arizona, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation.

Deborah K. Kilmer, of Idaho, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

Ralph E. Tyson, of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Louisiana.

Richard Nelson Swett, of New Hampshire, to be Ambassador to Denmark.

Neal F. Lane, of Oklahoma, to be Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy.

Arthur Louis Schechter, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Commonwealth of The Bahamas.

Clyde J. Hart, Jr., of New Jersey, to be Administrator of the Maritime Administration, vice Albert J. Herberger, resigned.

Raner Christercunean Collins, of Arizona, to be United States District Judge for the District of Arizona.

Raymond W. Kelly, of New York, to be Commissioner of Customs.

James E. Johnson, of New Jersey, to be Under Secretary of the Treasury for Enforcement.

Elizabeth Bresee, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

Jacob Joseph Lew, of New York, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

James Howard Holmes, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Latvia.

John Bruce Craig, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Sultanate of Oman.

David Michael Satterfield, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Lebanon.

Barbara Pedersen Holum, of Maryland, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for the term expiring April 13, 2002.

Charles F. Kartman, of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Special Envoy for the Korean Peace Talks.

William B. Milam, of California, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

Bill Richardson, of New Mexico, to be Secretary of Energy.

Charles R. Rawls, of North Carolina, to be General Counsel of the Department of Agriculture.

James E. Newsome, of Mississippi, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for the term expiring June 19, 2001.

Howard Hikaru Tagomori, of Hawaii, to be United States Marshal for the District of Hawaii for the term of four years.

Paul M. Warner, of Utah, to be United States Attorney for the District of Utah for the term of four years.

Routine lists in the Foreign Service. **Page 18503**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Terrence L. Bracy, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy for a term expiring October 6, 2004. **Page 18511**

Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nomination:

Michael D. Schattman, of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas, which was sent to the Senate on March 21, 1997. **Page 18511**

Messages From the President: **Page 18390**

Messages From the House: **Page 18391**

Measures Placed on Calendar: **Page 18391**

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Additional Cosponsors: **Page 18499**

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Additional Statements: **Page 18444**

Text of S. 53 and H.R. 1702 as Previously Passed: **Page 18461**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and, in accordance with S. Con. Res. 114, adjourned at 2:28 p.m., until 12 noon, on Monday, August 31, 1998.

Committee Meetings

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Charles R. Rawls, of North Carolina, to be General Counsel, and Keith C. Kelly, of Arizona, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation, both of the Department of Agriculture; and James E. Newsome, of Mississippi, and Barbara Pedersen Holum, of Maryland, both to be Commissioners of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Rawls was introduced by Senator Faircloth, Mr. Newsome was introduced by Senators Lott and Cochran, and Mr. Kelly was introduced by Senators Burns and Baucus.

MANDATORY ARBITRATION AGREEMENTS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded oversight hearings to examine issues relating to mandatory, binding arbitration of employment disputes in the securities industry, and proposed legislation to ensure that an employer cannot use their superior bargaining power to coerce their employees to capitulate to an agreement which diminishes their civil rights protections, after receiving testimony from Senator Feingold; Representative Markey; Isaac C. Hunt, Jr., Commissioner, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission; Linda D. Fienberg, National Association of Securities Dealers, Stuart J. Kaswell, Securities Industry Association, and Elizabeth Toledo, National Organization for Women, all of Washington, D.C.; Robert E. Meade, American Arbitration Association, and Samuel Estreicher, New York University School of Law, both of New York, New York; and Cliff Palefsky, McGuinn, Hillsman & Palefsky, San Francisco, California, on behalf of the National Employment Lawyers' Association.

PHYSICIAN ASSISTED SUICIDE

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee held hearings to examine the moral, ethical, and medical implications of physician assisted suicide, and S. 2151, to clarify Federal law to prohibit the dispensing or distribution of a controlled substance for the purpose of causing, or assisting in causing, the suicide, euthanasia, or mercy killing of any individual, focusing on the use of controlled substances and the Federal Government's role in the practice of medicine, receiving testimony from Senators Nickles, Wyden, and Gordon Smith; Joseph N. Onek, Principal Deputy Associate Attorney General, and Thomas A. Constantine, Administrator, Drug Enforcement Administration, both of the Department of Justice; Ralph P. Miech, Brown University School of Medicine, Providence, Rhode Island; Joanne Lynn, Americans for Better Care of the Dying, Washington, D.C., on behalf of the American Geriatrics Society; Walter R. Hunter, Hospice of Michigan, Southfield; Harold C. Sox, Jr., Lebanon, New Hampshire, on behalf of the American College of Physicians/American Society of Internal Medicine; Andrew I. Batavia, Florida International University, North Miami; and Gayle Hafner, Not Dead Yet, Texas, Maryland.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: On Thursday, July 30, committee ordered favorably reported S. 2213, to allow all States to participate in activities under the Education Flexibility Partnership Demonstration Act, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Special Committee on the year 2000 Technology Problem: Committee held hearings to examine issues relating to the Year 2000 technology problem confronting the telecommunications industry, receiving testimony from Michael K. Powell, Commissioner, Federal Communications Commission; John S. Edwards, Member, President's National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee; D. Diane Fountaine, Deputy Manager, National Communications System; Judith List, Bellcore, Morristown, New Jersey; Joseph Castellano, Bell Atlantic Corporation, New York, New York; A. Gerard Roth, GTE Corp., on behalf of the TelcoYear 2000 Forum, and Ramu Potarazu, INTELSAT, both of Washington, D.C.; and Gary J. Beach, CIO Magazine, Framingham, Massachusetts.

Committee recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 16 public bills, H.R. 4364–4379; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 514 were introduced. **Page 18353**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Report on the Revised Suballocation of Budget Totals for Fiscal year 1999 (H. Rept. 105–662);

H.R. 2592, to amend title 11 of the United States Code to provide private trustees the right to seek judicial review of United States trustee actions related to trustee expenses and trustee removal, amended (H. Rept. 105–663);

Making the Federal Government Accountable: Enforcing the mandate for Effective Financial Management (H. Rept. 105–664);

H.R. 2070, to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for the mandatory testing for serious transmissible diseases of incarcerated persons whose bodily fluids come into contact with corrections personnel and notice to those personnel of the results of the tests (H. Rept. 105–665);

H.R. 4284, to authorize the Government of India to establish a memorial to honor Mahatma Gandhi in the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 105–666); and

H.R. 4090, provide for a national medal for public safety officers who act with extraordinary valor above and beyond the call of duty, amended (H. Rept. 105–667)

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Gutknecht to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Dr. Ronald Christian of Fairfax, Virginia.

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August District Work Period: The House agreed to S. Con. Res. 114, providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives.

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Bipartisan Campaign Integrity Act: The House continued consideration of amendments to H.R. 2183, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to reform the financing of campaigns for elections for Federal office.

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Agreed To:

The Kaptur amendment, as modified, to the Shays amendment that establishes a clearinghouse of information on political activities within the Federal Election Commission. Amendment was debated July 30 (agreed to by a recorded vote of 341 ayes to 74 noes, Roll No. 371);

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The Stearns amendment to the Shays amendment that allows permanent resident aliens serving in the armed

forces to make campaign contributions. Amendment was debated July 30 (agreed to by a recorded vote of 385 ayes to 29 noes, Roll No. 372); **Page 18334**

The Stearns amendment to the Shays amendment that requires any candidate for President or Vice President to certify that the candidate will not solicit soft money. Amendment was debated July 30 (agreed to by a recorded vote of 368 ayes to 44 noes, Roll No. 373); **Page 18335**

Rejected:

The Barr amendment to the Shays amendment that sought to prohibit the use of bilingual voting materials. Amendment was debated July 30 (rejected by a recorded vote of 142 ayes to 261 noes, Roll No. 367); **Page 18330**

The McIntosh amendment to the Shays amendment that sought to prohibit a communication with a Senator or Member of the House of Representatives regarding a pending legislative matter to be construed as to establish coordination with a candidate. Amendment was debated July 30 (rejected by a recorded vote of 195 ayes to 218 noes, Roll No. 368); **Page 18331**

The Horn amendment to the Shays amendment that sought to allow reduced postage rates for principal campaign committees of congressional candidates. Amendment was debated July 30 (rejected by a recorded vote of 117 ayes to 294 noes, Roll No. 369); **Page 18331**

The Shaw amendment to the Shays amendment that sought to require at least 50 percent of contributions accepted by House candidates to come from in-state residents. Amendment was debated July 30 (rejected by a recorded vote of 160 ayes to 253 noes, Roll No. 370); **Page 18332**

The Whitfield amendment to the Shays amendment that sought to increase the individual contribution limit to candidates from \$1,000 to \$3,000. Amendment was debated July 30 (rejected by a recorded vote of 102 ayes to 315 noes, Roll No. 374); **Page 18337**

The Whitfield amendment to the Shays amendment that defines "express advocacy" as a communication that advocates the election or defeat of a candidate by containing a phrase such as "vote for", "reelect", or "defeat". Amendment was debated July 30 (rejected by a recorded vote of 173 ayes to 238 noes, Roll No. 375); and **Page 18337**

The English of Pennsylvania amendment to the Shays amendment that sought to prohibit the bundling of contributions. Amendment was debated July 30 (rejected by a recorded vote of 134 ayes to 276 noes, Roll No. 376). **Page 18337**

The House is considering the bill pursuant to the unanimous consent order of July 17 and H. Res. 442 and

H. Res. 458, the rules providing for consideration of the bill.

Capitol Police Memorial Fund: The House passed H.R. 4354, to establish the United States Capitol Police Memorial Fund on behalf of the families of Detective John Michael Gibson and Private First Class Jacob Joseph Chestnut of the United States Capitol Police. Earlier, agreed to the Thomas amendment that provides a financial adviser or trustee to the families. **Page 18338**

Adult Education and Family Literacy Act: The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 1385, to consolidate, coordinate, and improve employment, training, literacy, and vocational rehabilitation programs in the United States. **Page 18339**

Legislative Program: The Majority Leader announced the Legislative Program for the week of August 3. **Page 18342**

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, August 3. **Page 18344**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of August 5. **Page 18344**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page 18327.

Referrals: S. Con. Res. 115 was referred to the Committee on House Oversight; S. 53, S. 512, and S. 1134 were referred to the Committee on Judiciary; and S. 314 was referred to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight. **Page 18352**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 18355.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Ten recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 18330, 18331, 18332, 18333, 18334, 18335, 18336, 18337, and 18338. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 1:00 p.m. and adjourned at 3:57 p.m.

Committee Meetings

SOLVING THE CANCER CRISIS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Held a hearing on Solving the Cancer Crisis: Comprehensive Research, Coordination and Care. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the NIH, Department of Health and Human Services: Richard Klausner, M.D., Director, National Cancer Institute; and Wayne Jonas, M.D., Director, Office of Alternative Medicine; and public witnesses.

Monday, August 3, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Senate was not in session today. It will next meet at 12 noon on Monday, August 31, 1998.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 8 public bills, H.R. 4380–4387; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 314–315, and H. Res. 515 were introduced. **Page 18659**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2759, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act with respect to the requirements for the admission of nonimmigrant nurses who will practice in health professional shortage areas, amended (H. Rept. 105–668);

H.R. 3047, to authorize expansion of Fort Davis National Historic Site in Fort Davis, Texas, by 16 acres (H. Rept. 105–669);

H.R. 4380, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–670);

H.R. 4342, to make miscellaneous and technical changes to various trade laws, amended (H. Rept. 105–671);

H. Con. Res. 213, expressing the sense of the Congress that the European Union is unfairly restricting the importation of United States agriculture products and the elimination of such restrictions should be a top priority in trade negotiations with the European Union, amended (H. Rept. 105–672); **Page 18659**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Petri to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 18539**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:53 a.m. and reconvened at 12:00 noon. **Page 18542**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Veterans Benefits Improvement Act: H.R. 4110, amended, to provide a cost-of-living adjustment in rates of compensation paid to veterans with service-connected disabilities, to make various improvements in education, housing, and cemetery programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs; **Page 18543**

Persian Gulf War Veterans Health Care and Research Act: H.R. 3980, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend the authority for the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to treat illnesses of Persian Gulf War veterans, to provide authority to treat illnesses of veterans which may be attributable to future combat service, and to revise the process for determining priorities for research relative to the health consequences of service in the Persian Gulf War; **Page 18549**

Voluntary Service Authorization: S. 2143, to amend chapter 45 of title 28, United States Code, to authorize the Administrative Assistant to the Chief Justice to accept voluntary services—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 18556**

Federal Charter to American GI Forum: S. 1759, to grant a Federal charter to the American GI Forum of the United States—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 18557**

Private Trustee Reform Act: H.R. 2592, amended, to amend title 11 of the United States Code to provide private trustees the right to seek judicial review of United States trustee actions related to trustee expenses and trustee removal. Agreed to amend the title; **Page 18560**

Controlled Substances Trafficking Prohibition Act: H.R. 3633, amended, to amend the Controlled Substances Import and Export Act to place limitations on controlled substances brought into the United States from Mexico. Agreed to amend the title; **Page 18561**

George H.W. Bush Center for Central Intelligence: H.R. 3821, to designate the Headquarters Compound of the Central Intelligence Agency located in Langley, Virginia, as the George H.W. Bush Center for Central Intelligence; **Page 18564**

Assistance to Mexico to Combat Wildfires: H. Res. 469, amended, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding assistance to Mexico to combat wildfires. Agreed to amend the title; **Page 18564**

Shackleford Banks Wild Horses Protection Act: Agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 765, to ensure maintenance of a herd of wild horses in Cape Lookout National Seashore—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 18570**

National Park Service Administrative Amendment: H.R. 1728, amended, to provide for the development of a plan and a management review of the National Park

System and to reform the process by which areas are considered for addition to the National Park System;

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Fort Davis National Historic Site Expansion: H.R. 3047, to authorize expansion of Fort Davis National Historic Site in Fort Davis, Texas, by 16 acres; Page 18572

Land Conveyance in Carson National Forest: Agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 434, to provide for the conveyance of small parcels of land in the Carson National Forest and the Santa Fe National Forest, New Mexico, to the village of El Rito and the town of Jemez Springs, New Mexico—clearing the measure for the President; Page 18573

Fishery Agreement with Republic of Latvia: H.R. 3460, amended, to approve a governing international fishery agreement between the United States and the Republic of Latvia; Page 18574

Iran Nuclear Proliferation Prevention Act: H.R. 3743, amended, to withhold voluntary proportional assistance for programs and projects of the International Atomic Energy Agency relating to the development and completion of the Bushehr nuclear power plant in Iran (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 405 yeas to 13 nays, Roll No. 377); Pages 18576, 18605

Finding Iraq in Breach of International Obligations: S.J. Res. 54, finding the Government of Iraq in material and unacceptable breach of its international obligations (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 407 yeas to 6 nays, Roll No. 378)—clearing the measure for the President; Pages 18582, 18606

Emergency Farm Financial Relief Act: S. 2344, to amend the Agricultural Market Transition Act to provide for the advance payment, in full, of the fiscal year 1999 payments otherwise required under production flexibility contracts—clearing the measure for the President; Page 18584

Health Professional Shortage Area Nursing Relief Act: H.R. 2759, amended, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act with respect to the requirements for the admission of nonimmigrant nurses who will practice in health professional shortage areas; and Page 18590

Correction Officers Health and Safety Act: H.R. 2070, amended, to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for the mandatory testing for serious transmissible diseases of incarcerated persons whose bodily fluids come into contact with corrections personnel and notice to those personnel of the results of the tests. Agreed to amend the title. Page 18594

Recess: The House recessed at 4:36 p.m. and reconvened at 5:21 p.m. Page 18596

Presidential Message—Arab League Boycott of Israel: Read a message from the President wherein he submitted his report concerning the steps taken by the United

States to end the Arab League Boycott of Israel—referred to the Committees on International Relations and Appropriations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-295). Page 18596

Bipartisan Campaign Integrity Act: The House continued consideration of amendments to H.R. 2183, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to reform the financing of campaigns for elections for Federal office. Pages 18596, 18607

Agreed to the Shays amendment in the nature of a substitute that bans all contributions of "soft money", imposes restrictions on issue advocacy communications, and contains the language of H.R. 3526, the Bipartisan Campaign Reform Act (agreed to by a recorded vote of 237 yeas to 186 noes, Roll No. 379); Pages 18596, 18607

The House is considering the bill pursuant to H. Res. 442 and H. Res. 458, the rules providing for consideration of the bill.

Committee Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Klug wherein he resigned from the Committee on Commerce. Page 18608

Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 515, electing Representative Wilson to the Committee on Commerce. Page 18608

Commerce, Justice, State Appropriations: The House completed general debate and began consideration of amendments to H.R. 4276, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. Page 18608

Pending:

The Mollohan amendment that seeks to increase funding for the Legal Services Corporation by \$109 million. The House completed debate on the amendment, and the vote was postponed until August 4. Page 18633

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page 18539.

Referrals: S. 1325 was referred to the Committee on Science; S. 1883 was referred to the Committee on Resources; S.J. Res. 35 and S.J. Res. 51 were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Page 18657

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 18660.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two ye and nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 18605, 18606, and 18607. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 11:09 p.m.

*Committee Meetings***SMALL ORDER EXECUTION SYSTEM—IMPACT
AND EFFECTIVENESS**

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials held a hearing on The Impact and Effectiveness of the Small Order Execution System. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**MAMMOGRAPHY QUALITY STANDARDS
REAUTHORIZATION ACT**

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment approved for full Committee action the introduction of a clean bill entitled the Mammography Quality Standards Reauthorization Act of 1998.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

SECOND SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House. The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation..

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 27 through July 31, 1998

	Senate	House	Total
Days in session	105	79	..
Time in session	841 hrs., 30'	666 hrs., 30'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	9,670	6,880	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	1,512	..
Public bills enacted into law	22	41	63
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	..	..
Bills in conference	11	13	..
Bills through conference .....	..	..	..
Measures passed, total	246	314	560
Senate bills	69	22	..
House bills	65	137	..
Senate joint resolutions	3	..	..
House joint resolutions	2	3	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	24	7	..
House concurrent resolutions	16	31	..
Simple resolutions	67	114	..
Measures reported, total	185	244	429
Senate bills	122	4	..
House bills	31	148	..
Senate joint resolutions	7	..	..
House joint resolutions	1	4	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	7	..	..
House concurrent resolutions	1	8	..
Simple resolutions	16	80	..
Special reports	15	7	..
Conference reports .....	..	9	..
Measures pending on calendar	204	79	..
Measures introduced, total	1,024	1,604	2,628
Bills	860	1291	..
Joint resolutions	15	20	..
Concurrent resolutions	45	113	..
Simple resolutions	104	180	..
Quorum calls	2	13	..
Yea-and-nay votes	252	162	..
Recorded votes .....	..	201	..
Bills vetoed	1	2	..
Vetoes overridden	1	2	..

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

(January 27 through July 31, 1998)

Civilian nominations, totaling 372 (including 124 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	172
Unconfirmed	176
Withdrawn	24
Civilian nominations (FS, PHS, CG, NOAA), totaling 1,167 (including 86 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	721
Unconfirmed	446
Air Force nominations, totaling 4,647 (including 21 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	4,625
Unconfirmed	22
Army nominations, totaling 3,741 (including 2 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	3,643
Unconfirmed	98
Navy nominations, totaling 1,769 (including 4 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,075
Unconfirmed	694
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 1,845, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,844
Unconfirmed	1

Summary

Total nominations carried over from the First Session	237
Total nominations received this session	13,304
Total confirmed	12,080
Total unconfirmed	1,437
Total withdrawn	24

*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 127 reports have been filed in the Senate, a total of 260 reports have been filed in the House.

Tuesday, August 4, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Senate was not in session today. It will next meet at 12 noon on Monday, August 31, 1998.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 12 public bills, H.R. 4388–4399; 1 private bill, H.R. 4400; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 316–317, were introduced. **Page 18859**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1865, to designate certain lands in the San Isabel National Forest, in Colorado, as the Spanish Peaks Wilderness (H. Rept. 105–673);

H.R. 3498, to amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to authorize the States of Washington, Oregon, and California to regulate the Dungeness crab fishery in the exclusive economic zone, amended (H. Rept. 105–674); and

H. Res. 516, providing for consideration of H.R. 3892, to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to establish a program to help children and youth learn English (H. Rept. 105–675). **Page 18859**

Recess: The House recessed at 9:33 a.m. and reconvened at 10:00 a.m. **Page 18682**

Private Calendar: On the call of the Private Calendar, the House passed H.R. 379, for the relief of Larry Errol Pieterse, and H.R. 2744, for the relief of Chong Ho Kwak. The House passed over without prejudice S. 1304, for the relief of Belinda McGregor. **Page 18682**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

OSHA Recognition of Electronic Forms: H.R. 4037, amended, to require the Occupational Safety and Health Administration to recognize that electronic forms of providing Material Safety Data Sheets provide the same level of access to information as paper copies and to improve the presentation of safety and emergency information on such Data Sheets; **Page 18685**

Ocean Shipping Reform Act: S. 414, amended, to amend the Shipping Act of 1984 to encourage competition in international shipping and growth of United States exports; **Page 18688**

Airport Improvement Program Reauthorization Act: H.R. 4057, amended, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize programs of the Federal Aviation Administration; **Page 18697**

Credit Union Membership Access Act: Agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 1151, to amend the Federal Credit Union Act to clarify existing law and ratify the longstanding policy of the National Credit Union Administration Board with regard to field of membership of Federal credit unions—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 18715**

Elimination of Restrictions on U.S. Agricultural Products: H. Con. Res. 213, amended, expressing the sense of the Congress that the European Union is unfairly restricting the importation of United States agriculture products and the elimination of such restrictions should be a top priority in trade negotiations with the European Union (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 420 yeas to 4 nays, Roll No. 380). Agreed to amend the title; **Pages 18730, 18783**

Technical Changes to Trade Laws: H.R. 4342, amended, to reduce waste, fraud, and error in Government programs by making improvements with respect to Federal management and debt collection practices, Federal payment systems, and Federal benefit programs; **Page 18735**

Library of Congress Bicentennial Commemorative Coin Act: H.R. 3790, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the bicentennial of the Library of Congress; **Page 18749**

Designating James F. Battin Courthouse: H.R. 3696, amended, to designate the Federal Courthouse located at 316 North 26th Street in Billings, Montana, as the "James F. Battin Federal Courthouse". Agreed to amend the title; **Page 18751**

Designating Joseph P. Kinneary Courthouse: S. 1800, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 85 Marconi Boulevard in Columbus, Ohio, as the "Joseph P. Kinneary United States Courthouse"—clearing the measure for the President; and **Page 18752**

WIPO Copyright Treaties Implementation Act: H.R. 2281, amended, to amend title 17, United States Code, to implement the World Intellectual Property Organization Copyright Treaty and Performances and Phonograms Treaty. Agreed to amend the title. **Page 18753**

Commerce, Justice, State Appropriations: The House continued consideration of amendments to H.R. 4276, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce,

Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. **Page 18784**

Agreed To:

The Mollohan amendment that increases funding for the Legal Services Corporation by \$109 million (agreed to by a recorded vote of 255 ayes to 170 noes, Roll No. 381). The amendment was debated on August 3;

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The Ensign amendment that increases funding for the Drug Courts program by \$3 million;

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The Moran of Virginia amendment to the Skaggs amendment that eliminates funding for TV Marti and retains \$2,000 for other international broadcasting programs (The Skaggs amendment, as amended, was subsequently rejected by the Committee);

Page 18787

The Jackson-Lee amendment that increases funding for the Community Relations Service by \$500,000;

Page 18796

The Blagojevich amendment numbered 41 printed in the Congressional Record that allocates \$5 million to expand the community prosecution program;

Page 18823

The Traficant amendment that requires the Director of the Bureau of Prisons to conduct a study to evaluate the growth and development of private prisons, the training qualifications of personnel, and the security procedures of the facilities. The study shall be submitted to the Committees on the Judiciary of the House and Senate 270 days after enactment;

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The Sanders amendment numbered 45 printed in the Congressional Record that increases funding for the Small Business Administration Womens' Business Development programs by \$2 million;

Page 18846

The Farr amendment that increases funding for the National Ocean Service by \$1 million;

Page 18850

The Millender-McDonald amendment numbered 32 printed in the Congressional Record that increases funding for the National Womens' Business Council by \$250,000.

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Rejected:

The Skaggs amendment, as amended, that sought to eliminate \$9.4 million funding for TV Marti and retain \$2,000 for other international broadcasting programs (rejected by a recorded vote of 172 ayes to 251 noes, Roll No. 382);

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The Souder amendment that sought to increase funding for the Drug Courts program by \$6 million (rejected by a recorded vote of 91 ayes to 327 noes, Roll No. 383);

Pages 18799, 18840

The Bass amendment numbered 10 printed in the Congressional Record that sought to reduce funding for the Advanced Technology Program by \$43 million and transfer \$19.5 million of that amount for grants under the Edward Byrne Memorial State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance Programs (rejected by a recorded vote of 155 ayes to 267 noes, Roll No. 384);

Pages 18808, 18840

The Scott amendment numbered 9 printed in the Congressional Record that sought to transfer \$105 million from Truth in Sentencing Incentive Grants to other programs including Boys and Girls Clubs, Court Appointed Special Advocates, Substance Abuse Treatment for State prisoners, and Drug Courts (rejected by a recorded vote of 149 ayes to 271 noes, Roll No. 385);

Pages 18816, 18841

The Gutknecht amendment that sought to increase the Weed and Seed program funding by \$6 million and reduce the Public Telecommunications Facilities Program funding by the same amount (rejected by a recorded vote of 136 ayes to 286 noes, Roll No. 386); and

Pages 18821, 18842

The DeGette amendment that sought to strike section 103 that prohibits any funds to be used to pay for an abortion except where the life of the mother is endangered, or in the case of rape (rejected by a recorded vote of 148 ayes to 271 noes, Roll No. 387).

Pages 18824, 18842

Withdrawn:

The Metcalf amendment that sought to repeal Sec. 110 of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996; and

Page 18827

The Jackson-Lee amendment that sought to prohibit the transfer of any handgun without a trigger locking device.

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Pending:

The Pallone amendment numbered 44 printed in the Congressional Record that seeks to increase funding for non-point source pollution control by \$8 million;

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The Engel amendment that seeks to increase funding for the Public Telecommunications Facilities Planning (PTFP) program by \$5 million;

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The Royce amendment numbered 15 printed in the Congressional Record that seeks to eliminate \$180.2 million funding for the Advanced Technology Program (ATP);

Page 18851

The Bartlett amendment numbered 3 printed in the Congressional Record that seeks to strike the funding for payment of arrearages to meet obligations of membership in the United Nations, and to pay assessed expenses of international peacekeeping activities; and

Page 18852

The Talent amendment that seeks to increase funding for the Small Business Investment Program by \$7.090 million.

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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page 18802.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 18861.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea and nay vote and seven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 18783, 18784, 18795, 18840, 18841, and 18842. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:34 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit approved for full Committee action amended the following bills: H.R. 3617, Community Development Financial Institutions Fund Amendments Act of 1998; H.R. 4364, Depository Institution Regulatory Streamlining Act of 1998.

PORTALS INVESTIGATION

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on the circumstances surrounding the FCC's planned relocation to the Portals, including the efforts of Franklin L. Haney and his representatives with respect to this matter and the circumstances surrounding the payment of fees to those representatives. Testimony was heard from Franklin L. Haney, Franklin L. Haney Company.

Hearings continue August 7.

IMPEDIMENTS TO UNION DEMOCRACY

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations continued hearings on Impediments to Union Democracy, Part III: Rank and File Rights at the American Radio Association. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

CAMPAIGN FINANCING INVESTIGATION— NEED FOR INDEPENDENT COUNSEL

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Held a hearing on "The Need for an Independent Counsel in the Campaign Finance Investigation". Testimony was heard from following officials of the FBI, Department of Justice: Louis J. Freeh, Director; and James V. Desarno, Assistant Director, Criminal Justice Information Services Division, Special Agent in Charge of the Department of Justice Campaign Finance Task Force; and Charles G. LaBella, former Chief, Department of Justice Campaign Finance Task Force.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; PRIVATE IMMIGRATION BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 4006, Lethal Drug Abuse Prevention Act of 1998; and H.R. 2921, Multichannel Video Competition and Consumer Protection Act of 1997.

The Committee also approved private immigration bills.

U.S./RUSSIAN NATIONAL SECURITY ISSUES

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Research and Development held a hearing on U.S./Russian national security issues. Testimony was heard from

Stanislav Lunev, former Colonel, Russian Military Intelligence (GRU).

OVERSIGHT—FIRE SUPPRESSION

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held an oversight hearing on Fire Suppression. Testimony was heard from Barry Hill, Associate Director, Energy, Resources and Science Issues, GAO; Wally Josephson, Wildland Fire Specialist, Office of Managing Risk and Public Safety, Department of the Interior; Janice McDougal, Associate Deputy Chief, State and Private Forestry, Forest Service, USDA; and James W. Garner, State Forester, Department of Forestry, State of Virginia.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE FLUENCY ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified open rule providing one hour of general debate on H.R. 3892, English Language Fluency Act. The rule provides for a 3 hour time limit on the amendment process, after which no further amendment shall be in order except those printed in the Congressional Record, with each further amendment and all amendments thereto to be debatable for 10 minutes equally divided and controlled by a proponent and an opponent.

The rule makes in order the Committee on Education and the Workforce amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill as an original bill for amendment purposes, which shall be considered as read. The rule provides for the consideration of the manager's amendment numbered 1 printed in the Congressional Record if offered by Representative Riggs or his designee, which shall be considered as read, shall not be subject to amendment or to a division of the question, and shall be debatable for 10 minutes equally divided between the proponent and an opponent. If adopted, the amendment is considered as part of the base text for further amendment purposes. The rule provides that after the disposition of the amendment numbered 1, it shall be in order to consider the amendment numbered 2 printed in the Congressional Record if offered by Representative Riggs or his designee, which shall be considered as read, and including all amendments thereto, shall be debatable for 30 minutes equally divided between the proponent and an opponent.

The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows for the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce votes to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Goodling and Representatives Riggs and Martinez.

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Heard testimony from Representatives Porter, Tiahrt, Istook, Shaw, Smith of New Jersey, Castle, Greenwood, Riggs, Manzullo, LoBiondo, Brady of Texas, English of Pennsylvania, Obey, Lowey, and Nadler, but action was deferred on H.R. 4274, making appropriations for the Department of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Technology held an oversight hearing on Developing Partnerships for Assistive and Universally Designed Technologies for Persons with Disabilities. Testimony was heard from John Lancaster, Executive Director, President's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities; and public witnesses.

"E-RATE" PROGRAM—FUNDING MECHANISMS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on the Funding Mechanisms of the "E-Rate" Program. Testimony was heard from Representatives Weller, Tauzin and Blumenauer; and the following officials of the FCC: Harold Furchtgott-Roth, Commissioner; and Christopher J. Wright, General Counsel.

Wednesday, August 5, 1998

Senate**Chamber Action**

Senate was not in session today. It will next meet at 12 noon on Monday, August 31, 1998.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives**Chamber Action**

Bills Introduced: 16 public bills, H.R. 4401–4416; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 318–321, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1042, to amend the Illinois and Michigan Canal Heritage Corridor Act of 1984 to extend the Illinois and Michigan Canal Heritage Corridor Commission, amended (H. Rept. 105–676);

H.R. 2000, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to make certain clarifications to the land bank protection provisions, amended (H. Rept. 105–677);

H.R. 2993, to provide for the collection of fees for the making of motion pictures, television productions, and sound tracks in National Park System and National Wildlife Refuge System units, amended (H. Rept. 105–678); and

H. Res. 517, providing for consideration of H.R. 4380, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–679).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Peterson of Pennsylvania to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Committee Expenses: The House agreed to H. Res. 506, providing amounts for further expenses of the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct in the second session of the One Hundred Fifth Congress. **Page 18885**

Commerce, Justice, State Appropriations: The House passed H.R. 4276, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 by yeas and nays vote of 225 yeas to 203 nays, Roll No. 402). **Page 18885**

Rejected the Obey motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations. **Page 18991**

Agreed To: The Talent amendment that increases funding for the Small Business Investment Program by \$7.090 million (agreed to by a recorded vote of 312 yeas to 114 nays, Roll No. 393). **Page 18917**

The Gilcrest amendment numbered 24 printed in the Congressional Record that strikes sec. 210 that specifies the exclusive jurisdiction of Alabama, Louisiana, and Mississippi over fish in the Gulf of Mexico within 9 miles of the coast of the state; **Page 18927**

The Conyers amendment that includes an independent counsel appointed under title 28, United States Code, in the provisions of Title VIII, Citizens Protection, cited as the "Citizens Protection Act of 1998" (agreed to by a recorded vote of 249 yeas to 182 nays, Roll No. 396); **Page 18931**

The Kolbe amendment numbered 19 printed in the Congressional Record that prohibits any funds to be used to implement or enforce Executive Order 13083 (titled "Federalism" and dated May 14, 1998) (agreed to by a recorded vote of 417 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 399); **Page 18950**

The Saxton amendment that prohibits any funds to be used by the United States to intervene against a claim for attachment in aid of execution of property of terrorism

sponsoring states by those injured or killed in acts of terrorism;

Page 18970

The Holden amendment that transfers Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania from the eastern judicial district of Pennsylvania to the middle judicial district; and

Page 18972

The McIntosh amendment that prohibits any funds to be used to implement the Memorandum of Understanding Relating to the Treaty Between the US and the USSR on the Limitation of Anti-Ballistic Missile Systems entered into by the United States, Russia, Kazakhstan, Belarus, and Ukraine (agreed to by a recorded vote of 240 ayes to 188 noes, Roll No. 400).

Pages 18975, 18989

Rejected:

The Mollohan amendment that sought to strike Bureau of the Census language that fences half of the FY 1999 appropriation for the decennial census until legislation releasing the funds is enacted; facilitates the resolution of legal issues surrounding the census; and uses the National Academy of Sciences to resolve statistical issues of census methodology (rejected by a recorded vote of 201 ayes to 227 noes, Roll No. 388);

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The Pallone amendment numbered 44 printed in the Congressional Record that sought to increase funding for non-point source pollution control by \$8 million (rejected by a recorded vote of 158 ayes to 267 noes, Roll No. 389);

Page 18914

The Engel amendment that sought to increase funding for the Public Telecommunications Facilities Planning (PTFP) program by \$5 million (rejected by a recorded vote of 168 ayes to 259 noes, Roll No. 390);

Page 18915

The Royce amendment numbered 15 printed in the Congressional Record that sought to delete the Advanced Technology Program (ATP) funding of \$180.2 million (rejected by a recorded vote of 137 ayes to 291 noes, Roll No. 391);

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The Bartlett amendment numbered 3 printed in the Congressional Record that sought to strike funding for payment of arrearages to meet obligations of membership in the United Nations, and to pay assessed expenses of international peacekeeping activities (rejected by a recorded vote of 151 ayes to 279 noes, Roll No. 392);

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The Stearns amendment that sought to strike \$109.2 million in funding for payment of arrearages to meet obligations of membership in the United Nations and to pay assessed expenses of international peacekeeping activities (rejected by a recorded vote of 165 ayes to 261 noes, Roll No. 394);

Pages 18918, 18926

The Callahan amendment that sought to clarify that each of the States of Alabama, Louisiana, and Mississippi has exclusive fishery management authority over all fish in the Gulf of Mexico within 3 leagues of the coast of that State, effective July 1, 1999 (rejected by a recorded vote of 141 ayes to 283 noes, Roll No. 395).

Pages 18921, 18927

The Hutchinson amendment numbered 11 printed in the Congressional Record that sought to strike title VIII, Citizens Protection, cited as the "Citizens Protection Act of 1998" (rejected by a recorded vote of 82 ayes to 345 noes, Roll No. 397);

Pages 18928, 18965

The Hefley amendment that sought to prohibit any funds to be used to implement or enforce Executive Order 13087 of May 28, 1998 (rejected by a recorded vote of 176 ayes to 252 noes, Roll No. 398);

Pages 18959, 18966

The Kucinich amendment numbered 49 printed in the Congressional Record that sought to prohibit any funds to be used for the filing of a complaint in any legal action brought under specified sections of the NAFTA Implementation Act or the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (rejected by a recorded vote of 200 ayes to 228 noes, Roll No. 401).

Pages 18981, 18990

Withdrawn:

The Callahan amendment that sought to reduce funding for the National Marine Fisheries Service by \$29 million; and

Page 18920

The Stearns amendment that sought to prohibit internet gambling.

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Bipartisan Campaign Integrity Act: Agreed by unanimous consent that during further consideration of H.R. 2183, Bipartisan Campaign Integrity Act, pursuant to H. Res. 442, no further amendment shall be in order except the following amendments in the nature of a substitute printed in the Congressional Record: No. 15 offered by Representative Tierney; No. 7 offered by Representative Farr; No. 5 offered by Representative Doolittle; No. 4 offered by Representative Obey; and No. 8 offered by Representative Hutchinson; and that the amendments shall be debatable for a period not to exceed 40 minutes, equally divided and controlled, except for the Hutchinson amendment which shall be debatable for 60 minutes.

Pages 18991, 18992

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 18995.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea and nay vote and fourteen recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 18914, 18915, 18916, 18917, 18926, 18927, 18945, 18965, 18966, 18967, 18989, 18990, and 18991. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 12:15 a.m. on Thursday, August 6.

Committee Meetings

FOOD STAMP VERIFICATION ACT

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Department Operations, Nutrition, and Foreign Agriculture held a hearing on H.R. 4366, Food Stamp Verification Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Robert E. Robertson,

Associate Director, Food and Agriculture Issues, Resources, Community and Economic Development Division, GAO; and Shirley Watkins, Under Secretary, Food and Nutrition Services, USDA.

FINANCIAL CONTRACT NETTING IMPROVEMENT ACT; FINANCIAL INFORMATION PRIVACY ACT

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Ordered reported the following bills; H.R. 4393, Financial Contract Netting Improvement Act of 1998; and H.R. 4321, amended, Financial Information Privacy Act of 1998.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Commerce: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 3844, Wireless Communications and Public Safety Act of 1998; H.R. 4017, Energy Conservation Reauthorization Act of 1998; and H.R. 4382, Mammography Quality Standards Reauthorization Act of 1998.

The Committee also approved pending Committee business.

PRISON INDUSTRY

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Prison Industry: Effects on Inmates, Law-Abiding Workers, and Business. Testimony was heard from Representatives Collins, Kennedy of Rhode Island, and Frank of Massachusetts; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on House Oversight: Met and approved pending Committee business.

HUMAN RIGHTS IN CHINA

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights continued meetings on Human Rights in China—Day 2.

REGIONAL CONFLICT: COLOMBIA'S INSURGENCY AND PROSPECT FOR PEACEFUL RESOLUTION

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere held a hearing on Regional Conflict: Colombia's Insurgency and Prospects for a Peaceful Resolution. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 3789, Class Action Jurisdiction Act of 1998; H.R. 218, Community Protection Act of 1997; and H.R. 3607, National Youth Crime Prevention Demonstration Act.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 1467, amended, to provide for the continuance of oil and gas operations pursuant to certain existing leases in the Wayne National Forest; H.R. 1481, amended, Great Lakes Fish and Wildlife Restoration Act of 1997; S. 1693, amended, Vision 2020 National Parks Restoration Act; S. 1695, Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site Preservation Act of 1998; H.R. 2108, amended, Dutch John Federal Property Disposition and Assistance Act of 1997; H.R. 2756, amended, Kake Tribal Corporation Land Exchange Act; H.R. 3056, amended, to provide for the preservation and sustainability of the family farm through the transfer of responsibility for operation and maintenance of the Flathead Indian Irrigation project; H.R. 3381, amended, Gallatin Land Consolidation Act of 1998; H.R. 3687, amended, to authorize prepayment of amounts due under a water reclamation project contract for the Canadian River Project, Texas; H.R. 3878, to subject certain reserved mineral interests of the operation of the Mineral Leasing Act; H.R. 3972, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to prohibit the Secretary of the Interior from charging State and local government agencies for certain uses of the sand, gravel, and shell resources of the outer Continental Shelf; H.R. 4023, amended, to provide for the conveyance of the Forest Service property in Kern County, California, in exchange for county lands suitable for inclusion in Sequoia National Forest; H.R. 4166, to amend the Idaho Admission Act regarding the sale or lease of school land; H.R. 4313, to amend the Revised Organic Act of the Virgin Islands to provide that the number of members on the legislature of the Virgin Islands and the number of such members constituting a quorum shall be determined by the laws of the Virgin Islands; and H.R. 4389, amended, to provide for the conveyance of various reclamation project facilities to local water authorities.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by voice vote, an open rule on H.R. 4380, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 providing one hour of general debate equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with clause 7 of rule XXI (requiring relevant printed hearings and reports to be available for three-days prior to the consideration of a general appropriations bill), section 306 (prohibiting consideration of legislation within the Budget Committee's jurisdiction, unless reported by the Budget Committee) and section 401(a) (prohibiting consideration of legislation, as reported, providing new contract, borrowing or credit authority that

is not limited to the amounts provided in appropriation acts) of the Congressional Budget Act. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized or legislative provisions in a general appropriations bill) and clause 6 of rule XXI (prohibiting reappropriations in a general appropriations bill) except as specified by the rule. The rule provides that amendments printed in the Rules Committee report may be offered only a Member designated in the report, may be offered only at the appropriate point in the reading of the bill, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. The rule accords priority in recognition to those amendments that are pre-printed in the Congressional Record. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone recorded votes and to reduce to five minutes the voting time on any postponed question, provided that the voting time on the first in any series of questions is not less than 15 minutes. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Taylor of North Carolina, Davis of Virginia, Tiahrt, Bilbray, Moran of Virginia and Norton.

MANDATORY DRUG TESTING—MEMBERS, OFFICERS, AND EMPLOYEES OF THE HOUSE

Committee on Rules: On August 5th, the Committee began markup of a measure to amend the Rules of the House of Representatives to provide for mandatory drug testing of Members, officers, and employees of the House of Representatives.

Committee recessed subject to call.

INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION'S PROBLEMS AND SOLUTIONS

Committee on Science: Held an oversight hearing on the White House Perspective on the International Space Station's Problems and Solutions. Testimony was heard from Jacob Lew, Acting Director, OMB; Duncan Moore, Associate Director, Technology, Office of Science and Technology Policy; and Daniel S. Goldin, Administrator, NASA.

MOTOR CARRIER ECONOMIC REGULATORY ISSUES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Surface Transportation held a hearing on Motor Carrier Economic Regulatory Issues. Testimony was heard from Representatives Boehlert and Goss; Kenneth R. Wykle, Administrator, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation; Shirley F. Sarna,

Assistant Attorney General in Charge, Consumer Frauds and Protections Bureau, Office of the Attorney General, State of New York; and public witnesses.

GARNISHMENT OF BENEFITS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held a hearing on the garnishment of benefits paid to veterans for child support and other court-ordered family obligations. Testimony was heard from John H. Thompson, Acting General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs; Lt. Gen. Normand G. Lezy, USAF, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Military Personnel Policy, Department of Defense; representatives of veterans associations and organizations; and public witnesses.

IRAQ

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Iraq. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

Thursday, August 6, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Senate was not in session today. It will next meet at 12 noon on Monday, August 31, 1998.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 102 public bills, H.R. 4416–4517; 3 private bills, H.R. 4518–4520; and 7 resolutions, H.J. Res. 127, H. Con. Res. 322–325, and H. Res. 518 and 519, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3532, to authorize Appropriations for the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for fiscal year 1999, amended (H. Rept. 105–680);

H.R. 4283, to support sustainable and broad-based agricultural and rural development in sub-Saharan Africa (H. Rept. 105–681 Part 1);

H.R. 3869, to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to authorize programs for predisaster mitigation, to streamline the administration of disaster relief, to control the Federal costs of disaster assistance, amended (H. Rept. 105–682); and

H.R. 4006, to clarify Federal law to prohibit the dispensing or distribution of a controlled substance for the purpose of causing, or assisting in causing, the suicide, or euthanasia, of any individual, amended (H. Rept. 105-683 part 1). **Page 19136**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Goodlatte to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 19019**

Extension of Remarks: Agreed that for August 6 and August 7 all members be permitted to extend their remarks and to include extraneous material in that section of the record entitled "Extensions of Remarks." **Page 19019**

Nazi War Crimes Disclosure Act: The House passed S. 1379, to amend section 552 of title 5, United States Code, and the National Security Act of 1947 to require disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act regarding certain persons, disclose Nazi war criminal records without impairing any investigation or prosecution conducted by the Department of Justice or certain intelligence matters—clearing the measure for the President. **Page 19019**

Amending Fastener Quality Act: The House agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 3824, amending the Fastener Quality Act to exempt from its coverage certain fasteners approved by the Federal Aviation Administration for use in aircraft—clearing the measure for the President. **Page 19021**

Bipartisan Campaign Integrity Act: The House passed H.R. 2183, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to reform the financing of campaigns for elections for Federal office, by a recorded vote of 252 ayes to 179 noes, Roll No. 405. Pursuant to the rule, the Shays amendment in the nature of a substitute numbered 13 and agreed to on August 3 was adopted. **Page 19022**
Rejected:

The Doolittle amendment in the nature of a substitute numbered 5 printed in the Congressional Record that sought to repeal limits on campaign contributions by individuals, political parties, and political action committees to candidates or political parties (rejected by a recorded vote of 131 ayes to 299 noes, Roll No. 403); **Page 19036**

The Hutchinson amendment in the nature of a substitute numbered 8 printed in the Congressional Record that sought to use the text of H.R. 2183 and increase limits on PAC contributions to political parties from \$15,000 to \$20,000 a year and clarify that candidates may attend state political party fundraisers in their home state (rejected by a recorded vote of 147 ayes to 222 noes with 61 voting "present", Roll No. 404). **Page 19052**

H. Res. 442, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to on May 21.

D.C. Appropriations Act: The House passed H.R. 4380, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, by a yeas and nays vote of 214 yeas to 206 nays, Roll No. 416. **Page 19060**

Agreed To:

The Moran of Virginia amendment that clarifies that the environmental study and related activities at the Lorton Correctional Complex will include the property on which the complex is located; **Page 19070**

The Traficant amendment that prohibits any funds to be used to transfer or confine inmates classified above the medium security level, as defined by the Federal Bureau of Prisons, to the Northeast Ohio Correctional Center located in Youngstown, Ohio; **Page 19097**

The Barr amendment that prohibits any funds to be used to conduct a ballot initiative which seeks to legalize or reduce the penalties associated with the possession, use, or distribution of any schedule I substance under the Controlled Substance Act or any tetrahydrocannabinoids derivative; **Page 19115**

The Arney amendment that provides both tuition scholarships and enhanced achievement scholarships for grades K through 12 for District of Columbia residents whose family incomes meet the eligibility qualifications (agreed to by a recorded vote of 214 yeas to 208 noes, Roll No. 411); **Page 19116**

The Tiahrt amendment that prohibits any funds to be used on a program which distributes needles for the hypodermic injection of any illegal drug and prohibits payments to any persons or entities who carry out such a program (agreed to by a recorded vote of 250 yeas to 169 noes, Roll No. 412); **Pages 19098, 19124**

The Largent amendment that prohibits any funds to be used to carry out a joint adoption of a child between individuals who are not related by blood or marriage (agreed to by a recorded vote of 227 yeas to 192 noes, Roll No. 414); **Pages 19107, 19126**

The Bilbray amendment that prohibits the possession of tobacco products by minors (agreed to by a recorded vote of 283 yeas to 138 noes, Roll No. 415); **Pages 19112, 19127**

Rejected:

The Norton amendment numbered 1 printed in the Congressional Record that provides \$573,000 for the Neighborhood Advisory Commissions (rejected by a recorded vote of 187 yeas to 237 noes, Roll No. 407); **Pages 19072, 19094**

The Norton amendment numbered 2 printed in the Congressional Record that allows funds other than Federal funds to be expended for abortions (rejected by a recorded vote of 180 yeas to 243 noes with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 408); **Pages 19079, 19094**

The Norton amendment numbered 3 printed in the Congressional Record that removes the prohibition

against the use of funds by the District of Columbia government for a petition drive or civil action which seeks to require Congress to provide for voting representation in Congress (rejected by a recorded vote of 181 ayes to 243 noes, Roll No. 409); **Pages 19085, 19095**

The Norton amendment numbered 4 printed in the Congressional Record that sought to strike the Section 149 that repeals the Residency Requirement Reinstatement Amendment Act of 1998 (rejected by a recorded vote of 109 ayes to 313 noes with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 410); and **Pages 19088, 19096**

The Moran of Virginia amendment, as modified, that sought to prohibit any Federal funds to be used to carry out any program of distributing sterile needles or syringes for the hypodermic injection of any illegal drug (rejected by a recorded vote of 173 ayes to 247 noes, Roll No. 413). **Pages 19104, 19125**

Points of Order:

Point of Order sustained against Sec. 131, relating to operational funds being available only when appropriated in an annual appropriations Act. **Page 19079**

H. Res. 517, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill, was agreed to earlier by a yea and nay vote of 220 yeas to 204 nays, Roll No. 406. **Page 19055**

Canadian River Project, Texas: The House passed H.R. 3687, to authorize prepayment of amounts due under a water reclamation project contract for the Canadian River Project, Texas. Agreed to the Committee on Resources amendment. **Page 19128**

San Isabel National Forest: The House passed H.R. 1865, to designate certain lands in the San Isabel National Forest, in Colorado, as the Spanish Peaks Wilderness. **Page 19130**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Morella or, if not available to perform this duty, Representative Wolf to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through Wednesday, September 9, 1998. **Page 19128**

Meeting Hour—August 7: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 11 a.m. on Friday, August 7, 1998. **Page 19130**

Resignations—Appointments: It was made in order that notwithstanding any adjournment of the House until Wednesday, September 9, 1998, the Speaker, Majority Leader and Minority Leader be authorized to accept resignations and to make appointments authorized by law or by the House. **Page 19130**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, September 9, 1998. **Page 19130**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea and nay votes and twelve recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 19037, 19054,

19055, 19059, 19094, 19095, 19096, 19124, 19125, 19126, and 19127. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 12:58 a.m. on Friday, August 7.

Committee Meetings

FOREST SERVICE COST REDUCTION AND FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY ACT

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered reported amended H.R. 4149, Forest Service Cost Reduction and Fiscal Accountability Act of 1998.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity approved for full Committee action amended the following bills: H.R. 3899, American Homeownership Act of 1998; and Sections 301 and 303 of H.R. 3865, American Community Renewal Act of 1998.

EPA'S TITLE VI—INTERIM GUIDANCE AND ALTERNATIVE STATE APPROACHES

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on the Environmental Protection Agency's Title VI Interim Guidance and Alternative State Approaches. Testimony was heard from Ann E. Goode, Director, Office of Civil Rights, EPA; Michael J. Hogan, Counselor to the Commissioner, Department of Environmental Protection, State of New Jersey; Barry R. McBee, Chairman, Natural Resources Conservation Commission, State of Texas; and public witnesses.

ANTI-SLAMMING AMENDMENTS ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3888, Anti-slammings Amendments Act.

AMERICAN WORKER PROJECT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on American Worker Project: Review of the Garment Industry Proviso. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

CONTEMPT OF CONGRESS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Adopted a report finding Attorney General Janet Reno in contempt of Congress for failure to comply with the subpoena duces tecum served on her.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3921, Federal Financial Assistance Management Improvement Act of 1998.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on Title II of H.R. 4244, Federal Procurement System Performance Measurement and Acquisition Workforce Training Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Representative Duncan; G. Edward DeSeve, Acting Deputy Director, Management, OMB; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 633, to amend the Foreign Service Act of 1980 to provide that the annuities of certain special agents and security personnel of the Department of State be computed in the same way as applies generally with respect to Federal law enforcement officers; and H. R. 4309, Torture Victims Relief Act of 1998.

The Committee also favorably amended the following measures and adopted a motion urging the Chairman to request that they be considered on the Suspension Calendar: H.R. 4038, to make available to the Ukrainian Museum and Archives the USIA television program "Window on America"; and H. Con. Res. 185, expressing the sense of the Congress on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the signing of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and recommitting the United States to the principles expressed in the Universal Declaration.

HOLOCAUST ISSUES

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on Property Issues of the Holocaust. Testimony was heard from Stuart Eizenstat, Under Secretary, Bureau of Economic, Business, and Agricultural Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY PROTECTION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 4019, Religious Liberty Protection Act of 1998.

OVERSIGHT—DRUG DIVERSION INVESTIGATIONS BY DEA

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Crime held an oversight hearing on drug diversion investigations by the United States Drug Enforcement Administration. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Mary Lee Warren, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division; and Gregory K. Williams, Chief of Operations, DEA; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 576, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to undertake the necessary feasibility studies regarding the establishment of certain new units of the National Parks System in the State of Hawaii; H.R. 2125,

to authorize appropriations for the Coastal Heritage Trail Route in New Jersey; H.R. 2800, amended, Battle of Midway National Memorial Study Act; H.R. 2970, amended, National Historic Lighthouse Preservation Act of 1997; H.R. 4230, amended, El Porto Administrative Site Land Exchange Act; H.R. 3705, amended, The Ivanpah Valley Airport Public Lands Transfer Act; H.R. 3746, amended, to authorize the addition of the Paoli Battlefield site in Malvern, Pennsylvania, to the Valley Forge National Historical Park; H.R. 3883, to revise the boundary of the Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historic Site to include Knob Creek Farm; H.R. 3910, amended, Automobile National Heritage Area Act of 1998; H.R. 3950, amended, Otay Mountain Wilderness Act of 1998; H.R. 3963, to establish terms and conditions under which the Secretary of the Interior shall convey leaseholds in certain properties around Canyon Ferry Reservoir; H.R. 3981, amended, to modify the boundaries of the George Washington Birthplace National Monument; H.R. 4109, Gateway Visitor Center Authorization Act of 1998; H.R. 4141, amended, to amend the Act authorizing the establishment of the Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area to modify the boundaries of the Area, and to provide for the protection of lands, waters, and natural, cultural, and scenic resources within the national recreation area; H.R. 4144, amended, Cumberland Island Preservation Act; H.R. 4211, amended, to establish the Tuskegee Airmen National Historic Site, in association with the Tuskegee University, in the State of Alabama; H.R. 4158, amended, National Park Enhancement and Protection Act; H.R. 4287, amended, Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument Boundary Adjustments Act; H.R. 4289, amended, to provide for the purchase by the Secretary of the Interior of the Wilcox ranch in Eastern Utah for management as wildlife habitat; and H.R. 4182, to establish the Little Rock Central High School National Historic Site in the State of Arkansas.

MANDATORY DRUG TESTING—MEMBERS, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE HOUSE

Committee on Rules: On August 5th, the Committee began markup of a measure to amend the Rules of the House of Representatives to provide for mandatory drug testing of Members, officers, and employees of the House of Representatives.

Committee recessed subject to call.

OVERSIGHT—TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT AT FAA

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Technology held an oversight hearing on Technology Development at FAA: Computer and Information Technology Challenges of the 21st Century. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Dennis DeGaetano, Deputy Associate Administrator, Research and Acquisitions, FAA; and John Meche, Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Finance, Economic and Informa-

tion Technology; and Joel C. Willemssen, Director, Civil Agencies Information Systems, GAO.

PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENTS

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing on how project labor agreements on public construction projects are negatively affecting women and minority-owned businesses. Testimony was heard from Nancy McFadden, General Counsel, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

PILOT LICENSES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on H.R. 1846, to provide for the immediate application of certain orders relating to the amendment, modification, suspension, or revocation of certificates under chapter 447 of title 49, United States Code. Testimony was heard from Gerald L. Dillingham, Associate Director, Transportation Issues, GAO; Peggy Gilligan, Deputy Associate Administrator, Regulation and Certification, FAA, Department of Transportation; the following officials of the National Transportation Safety Board: Daniel D. Campbell, General Counsel; and Harry L. Riggs, Jr., President, Bar Association; and public witnesses.

BEACHES AND OCEANS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2094, Beaches Environmental Assessment, Closure, and Health Act of 1997; H.R. 3445, Oceans Act of 1998; and S. 1213, Oceans Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Representatives Bilbray, Pallone, Saxton and Farr; J. Charles Fox, Acting Assistant Administrator, Office of Water, EPA; Sally J. Yozell, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Oceans and Atmospheric Administration, NOAA, Department of Commerce; David B. Rosenblatt, Supervisor, Local Shore Programs, Department of Environmental Protection, State of New Jersey; and public witnesses.

MEDICARE'S HOME HEALTH BENEFITS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Medicare's Home Health Benefits. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Michael Hash, Deputy Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration; and June Gibbs Brown, Inspector General; William J. Scanlon, Director, Health Financing Systems, GAO; Gail Wilensky, Chair, Medicare Payment Advisory Commission; and public witnesses.

REPORT—YEAR 2000 COMPUTER PROBLEM

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight approved for full Committee action a report entitled Year 2000 Computer Problem.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS; KOREAN PENINSULA BRIEFING

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to consider pending Committee business.

The Committee also met in executive session to hold a briefing on Korean Peninsula. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

Friday, August 7, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Senate was not in session today. It will next meet at 12 noon on Monday, August 31, 1998.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 103 public bills, H.R. 4416–4517, 4521; 3 private bills, H.R. 4518–4520; and 7 resolutions, H.J. Res. 127, H. Con. Res. 322–325, and H. Res. 518–519 were introduced. **Page 19153**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Filed on August 6, H.R. 4275, to reauthorize and make reforms to programs authorized by the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965 and the Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965, amended (H. Rept. 105–684 Part 1);

H.R. 3625, to establish the San Rafael Swell National Heritage Area and the San Rafael Swell National Conservation Area in the State of Utah, amended (H. Rept. 105–685); and

H.R. 4271, to amend the Community Services Block Grant Act to reauthorize and make improvements to that Act, amended (H. Rept. 105–686). **Page 19153**

Quorum Calls—Votes: No quorum calls or recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: The House met at 11:00 a.m. and pursuant to the provisions of S. Con. Res. 114, the House adjourned at 12:47 p.m. until noon on Wednesday, September 9.

Committee Meetings

PORTALS INVESTIGATION

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations continued hearings on the circumstances surrounding the FCC's planned relocation to the Portals. Testimony was heard from Steven A. Grigg, Parcel 49C Limited Partnership, Republic Properties Corporation.

Joint Meetings

EMPLOYMENT-UNEMPLOYMENT

Joint Economic Committee: Committee held hearings on the employment-unemployment situation for July, receiving testimony from Katharine G. Abraham, Commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor.

Committee recessed subject to call.

Monday, August 31, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 19242-87

Measures Introduced: Three bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2426-2428. Page 19260

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Reported on Tuesday, August 25, during the adjournment:

S. 2131, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, and for other purposes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105-286)

S. 2359, to amend the National Environmental Education Act to extend the programs under the Act. (S. Rept. No. 105-287)

S. 1398, to extend certain contracts between the Bureau of Reclamation and irrigation water contractors in Wyoming and Nebraska that receive water from Glendo Reservoir, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105-288)

S. 2087, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain works, facilities, and titles of the Gila Project, and designated lands within or adjacent to the Gila Project, to the Wellton-Mohawk Irrigation and Drainage District, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105-289)

S. 2171, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of a hydro-

electric project in the State of Arkansas. (S. Rept. No. 105-290)

H.R. 449, to provide for the orderly disposal of certain Federal lands in Clark County, Nevada, and to provide for the acquisition of environmentally sensitive lands in the State of Nevada. (S. Rept. No. 105-291)

H.R. 2886, to provide for a demonstration project in the Stanislaus National Forest, California, under which a private contractor will perform multiple resource management activities for that unit of the National Forest System, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 105-292)

H.R. 3796, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey the administrative site for the Rogue River National Forest and use the proceeds for the construction or improvement of offices and support buildings for the Rogue River National Forest and the Bureau of Land Management, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 105-293)

S. 1397, to establish a commission to assist in commemoration of the centennial of powered flight and the achievements of the Wright brothers, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105-294)

H.R. 930, to require Federal employees to use Federal travel charge cards for all payments of expenses of official Government travel, to amend title 31, United States Code, to establish requirements for prepayment audits of Federal agency transportation expenses, to authorize reimbursement of Federal agency employees for taxes incurred on travel or transportation reimbursements, and to authorize test programs for the payment of Federal employee travel expenses and relocation expenses, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 105-295)

H.R. 3096, to correct a provision relating to termination of benefits for convicted persons. (S. Rept. No. 105-296)

S. Con. Res. 82, expressing the sense of Congress concerning the worldwide trafficking of persons, that has a disproportionate impact on women and girls, and is condemned by the international community as a violation of fundamental human rights, with an amendment.

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Measures Passed:

Commerce, Justice, State Appropriations, 1999: Pursuant to the order of July 22, 1998, Senate passed H.R. 4276, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 2260, as passed by the Senate.

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Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and pursuant to the order of July 22, 1998, the Chair appointed the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Gregg, Ste-

vens, Domenici, McConnell, Hutchison, Campbell, Cochran, Hollings, Inouye, Bumpers, Lautenberg, Mikulski, and Byrd. **Page 19285**

Subsequently, passage of S. 2260 was vitiated and the bill was indefinitely postponed. **Page 19285**

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaty:

Treaty with Guatemala for return of Stolen, Robbed, Embezzled or Appropriated Vehicles and Aircraft (Treaty Doc. 105-58);

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and was ordered to be printed. **Page 19285**

Executive Reports of Committees: Senate received the following executive report of a committee:

Received on August 25, 1998, during the adjournment of the Senate:

Treaty Doc. 95-2 B (formerly Ex. B., 95-1), Montreal Protocol No. 4 to Amend the Convention for the Unification of Certain Rules Relating to International Carriage by Air, with one declaration and two provisos. (Exec. Rept. No. 105-20) **Page 19260**

Appointment:

National Skill Standards Board: The Chair announced the following appointment made by the Democratic Leader during the August recess: Pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 103-227, the appointment of Barbara Kairson, of New York, as the Representative of Labor to the National Skill Standards Board, effective August 13, 1998. **Page 19286**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Peter J. Basso, Jr., of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation.

H. Dean Buttram, Jr., of Alabama, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama.

Inge Prytz Johnson, of Alabama, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama. **Page 19286**

Messages From the House: **Page 19250**

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Text of H.R. 4103 as Previously Passed: **Page 19266**

Recess: Senate convened at 12 noon, and recessed at 3:59 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, September 1, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 19286.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House will next meet at 12:00 noon on Wednesday, September 9.

Committee Meetings

DC PUBLIC SCHOOLS READINESS STATUS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: On August 26, the Subcommittee on the District of Columbia held a hearing on the Status of the District of Columbia Public Schools Readiness for the 1998-1999 School Year. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Public Schools of the District of Columbia: Arlene Ackerman, Superintendent and CEO; and Wilma Harvey, President, Board of Education; Col. Bruce A. Berwick, USA, Commander and District Engineer, Baltimore District, Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army; Arthur Turowski, Director, Portfolio Management for Public Buildings Service/National Capital Region, GSA; Constance Newman, Vice-Chairman, District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority; Maudine Cooper, Chairman, District of Columbia Public Schools Emergency Transitional Board of Trustees; and Carlotta C. Joyer, Director, Education and Employment Issues, GAO.

Tuesday, September 1, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 19290-19383

Measures Introduced: Two bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2429 and 2430, S.J. Res. 55, and S. Res. 268 and 269. **Page 19359**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 624, to amend the Armored Car Industry Reciprocity Act of 1993 to clarify certain requirements and

to improve the flow of interstate commerce. (S. Rept. No. 105-297)

Report to accompany S.J. Res. 40 and H.J. Res. 54, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States. (S. Rept. No. 105-298) **Page 19359**

Measures Passed:

Congratulating the Little League World Series Champions: Senate agreed to S. Res. 268, congratulating the Toms River East American Little League team of Toms River, New Jersey, for winning the Little League World Series. **Page 19327**

Travel and Transportation Reform: Senate passed H.R. 930, to require Federal employees to use Federal travel charge cards for all payments of expenses of official Government travel, to amend title 31, United States Code, to establish requirements for prepayment audits of Federal agency transportation expenses, to authorize reimbursement of Federal agency employees for taxes incurred on travel or transportation reimbursements, and to authorize test programs for the payment of Federal employee travel expenses and relocation expenses, after agreeing to committee amendments. **Page 19380**

Authorizing Production of Senate Documents: Senate agreed to S. Res. 269, to authorize production of Senate documents and representation by Senate Legal Counsel in the case of *Rose Larker, et al. v. Kevin A. Carias-Herrera, et al.* **Page 19383**

Foreign Operations Appropriations, 1999: Senate began consideration of S. 2334, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

McConnell/Leahy Amendment No. 3492, relating to energy programs aimed at reducing greenhouse gas emissions. **Page 19296**

McConnell/Leahy Amendment No. 3493, relating to activities that reduce vulnerability to climate change. **Page 19296**

McConnell/Leahy Amendment No. 3494, to make certain technical corrections. **Page 19297**

McConnell (for Lugar) Amendment No. 3495, to provide a limited waiver for certain foreign students of the requirement to reimburse local educational agencies for the costs of the students' education. **Page 19298**

Durbin Amendment No. 3496, to allocate funds available for activities pursuant to the Microenterprise Initiative. **Page 19299**

Durbin Amendment No. 3497, to express the sense of the Senate regarding United States citizens imprisoned in Peru. **Page 19301**

Durbin Amendment No. 3498, to require a report on the training provided to foreign military personnel in the United States during fiscal years 1998 and 1999. **Page 19302**

McConnell (for Brownback) Amendment No. 3499, to earmark funds for a hydraulic drilling machine to provide potable drinking water in the region of the Nuba Mountains in Sudan. **Page 19303**

Leahy (for Daschle) Amendment No. 3502, to provide for progress reports to Congress on efforts to update the architecture of the international monetary system. **Page 19303**

Leahy (for Bumpers) Amendment No. 3503, to express the sense of the Congress regarding international cooperation in recovering children abducted in the United States and taken to other countries. **Page 19304**

McConnell (for Kempthorne) Amendment No. 3504, to require the purchase of American agriculture commodities with funds made available through this bill and to require the Secretary of the Treasury to report annually on federal efforts to purchase American agriculture commodities. **Page 19304**

McConnell (for Kempthorne) Amendment No. 3505, to direct the Secretary of the Treasury to instruct the United States executive directors of international financial institutions to use the voice and vote on the United States to support the purchase of American agricultural commodities. **Page 19304**

By 49 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. 254), Specter Amendment No. 3506, to provide funding for the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty Preparatory Commission. **Pages 19306, 19314, 19329, 19345**

Feinstein/McConnell Amendment No. 3507, to state United States support for a peaceful economic and political transition in Indonesia. **Pages 19314, 19319**

Feinstein/McConnell Amendment No. 3508, to condemn the rape of ethnic Chinese women in Indonesia and the May 1998 riots in Indonesia. **Page 19315**

Gorton Amendment No. 3509, to express the sense of the Congress regarding IMF response to the economic crisis in Russia. **Page 19319**

McConnell (for Ashcroft) Amendment No. 3510, to establish a prohibition on assistance to the Democratic Republic of Congo. **Page 19320**

McConnell (for Ashcroft) Amendment No. 3511, to prohibit assistance to the Palestinian Broadcasting Corporation. **Page 19320**

McConnell (for Lott) Amendment No. 3512, to provide support for the conduct of activities by the Iraqi democratic opposition inside Iraq. **Page 19320**

McConnell (for Wellstone) Amendment No. 3513, relating to the trafficking of women and children. **Page 19320**

McConnell (for Leahy) Amendment No. 3514, to express the sense of the Congress that information relevant to the December 2, 1980 assault and murder of four

American churchwomen in El Salvador should be made public to the fullest extent possible and that circumstances under which any individuals involved in either the murders or the cover-up of the murders obtained residence in the United States be reviewed by the Attorney General. **Page 19320**

McConnell (for Dodd/Harkin) Amendment No. 3515, to require a consolidated report on all U.S. military training provided to foreign military personnel. **Page 19320**

McConnell (for Kennedy) Amendment No. 3516, to express the sense of the Congress on the trial in the Netherlands of the suspects indicted in the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103. **Page 19320**

McConnell (for Feingold) Amendment No. 3517, relating to the development of a new strategy for United States bilateral assistance for Nigeria. **Page 19320**

McConnell (for Feinstein) Amendment No. 3518, to improve the prohibition on United States arms export transactions to foreign governments that do not cooperate fully with United States antiterrorism efforts. **Page 19320**

Smith (of Oregon) Amendment No. 3520, to express the sense of Congress regarding efforts to promote full equality at the United Nations for Israel. **Page 19330**

Smith (of Oregon) Amendment No. 3521, to express the sense of Congress regarding sanctions against Serbia-Montenegro. **Page 19331**

McConnell (for Brownback) Amendment No. 3524, to make available assistance for Georgia for infrastructure for secure communications and surveillance systems. **Page 19345**

McConnell (for Bond) Amendment No. 3525, to require a report on Iraqi development of weapons of mass destruction. **Page 19348**

Pending:

McConnell/Leahy Amendment No. 3491, to provide that the Export Import Bank shall not disburse direct loans, loan guarantees, insurance, or tied aid grants or credits for enterprises or programs in the New Independent States which are majority owned or managed by state entities. **Page 19296**

Inhofe Amendment No. 3366, to require a certification that the signing of the Landmine Convention is consistent with the combat requirements and safety of the armed forces of the United States. **Page 19334**

Kyl Amendment No. 3522, to establish conditions for the use of quota resources of the International Monetary Fund. **Page 19340**

Coats Amendment No. 3523, to reallocate funds provided to the Korean Peninsula Energy Development Organization to be available only for antiterrorism assistance. **Page 19340**

McCain Modified Amendment No. 3500, to restrict the availability of certain funds for the Korean Peninsula Energy Development Organization unless an additional condition is met. **Page 19342**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for consideration of certain further amendments to be proposed to the bill.

Military Construction Appropriations, 1999—Conference Report: By 87 yeas to 3 nays (Vote No. 253), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4059, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 19290**

Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact—Conference Report: Senate began consideration of the conference report on H.R. 629, to grant the consent of the Congress to the Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact. **Page 19348**

Senate will resume consideration of the conference report on Wednesday, September 2, 1998, with a vote to occur thereon.

Measure Indefinitely Postponed:

Military Construction Appropriations, 1999: Senate indefinitely postponed further consideration of S. 2160, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. **Page 19383**

Measures Referred: **Page 19359**

Statements on Introduced Bills: **Page 19359**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page 19365**

Amendments Submitted: **Page 19367**

Authority for Committees: **Page 19374**

Additional Statements: **Page 19374**

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—254). **Page 19293**

Recess: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and recessed at 8:20 p.m., until 9:15 a.m., on Wednesday, September 2, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 19383.)

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—LABOR/HHS/EDUCATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

MASS MAIL FRAUD

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services con-

cluded hearings to examine the use of misleading direct mail marketing practices, focusing on S. 2141, to require certain notices in any mailing using a game of chance for the promotion of a product or service, after receiving testimony from Senator Campbell; Kenneth J. Hunter, Chief Postal Inspector, United States Postal Inspection Service; Florida Attorney General Robert A. Butterworth, Tallahassee; Michigan Assistant Attorney General in Charge Stanley F. Pruss, Lansing; Richard A. Barton, Direct Marketing Association, Washington, D.C.; and William E. Arnold, Arizona State University, Tempe.

COUNTER-TERRORISM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information met in closed session to receive a briefing on the recent bombings of the American embassies in Nairobi and Dar Es Salaam and the United States response from Richard Clarke, Senior Director, National Security Council/National Coordinator for Counter-terrorism.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

YOUTH CRIME PREVENTION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Youth Violence held hearings to examine recommendations and strategies on how to prevent juvenile crime through early intervention and law enforcement programs, receiving tes-

timony from Judge David E. Grossmann, Hamilton County Juvenile Court, Cincinnati, Ohio, on behalf of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges; Harry L. Shorstein, Fourth Judicial Circuit of Florida, Jacksonville; George L. Kelling, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey; and Ronald D. Stephens, National School Safety Center, Westlake Village, California.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House will next meet at 12:00 noon on Wednesday, September 9.

Committee Meetings

TECHNOLOGY TRANSFERS TO CHINA

Select Committee on U.S. National Security and Military/Commercial Concerns with the People's Republic of China: Met in executive session to receive briefings on pending business.

Will continue tomorrow.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

SECOND SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House.

The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 27 through July 31, 1998

	<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Days in session	106	84	..
Time in session	845 hrs., 29'	722 hrs., 24'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	9714	7431	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	1647	..
Public bills enacted into law	26	55	81
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	..	..
Bills in conference	11	13	..
Measures passed, total	246	350	596
Senate bills	68	28	..
House bills	66	161	..
Senate joint resolutions	3	1	..
House joint resolutions	2	3	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	24	7	..
House concurrent resolutions	16	32	..
Simple resolutions	67	118	..
Measures reported, total	197	264	461
Senate bills	128	4	..
House bills	36	165	..
Senate joint resolutions	7	..	..
House joint resolutions	1	4	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	8	..	..
House concurrent resolutions	1	9	..
Simple resolutions	16	82	..
Special reports	15	7	..
Conference reports .....	..	9	..
Measures pending on calendar	219	74	..
Measures introduced, total	1,027	1,764	2,791
Bills	863	1,433	..
Joint resolutions	15	21	..
Concurrent resolutions	45	125	..
Simple resolutions	104	185	..
Quorum calls	2	13	..
Yea-and-nay votes	252	168	..
Recorded votes .....	..	235	..
Bills vetoed	1	2	..
Veto overridden	1	2	..

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 27 through July 31, 1998

Civilian nominations totaling 375 (including 124 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	172
Unconfirmed	179
Withdrawn	24
Civilian nominations (FS, PHS, CG, NOAA), totaling 1,167 (including 86 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	721
Unconfirmed	446
Air Force nominations, totaling 4,647 (including 21 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	4,625
Unconfirmed	22
Army nominations, totaling 3,741 (including 2 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	3,643
Unconfirmed	98
Navy nominations, totaling 1,769 (including 4 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,075
Unconfirmed	694
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 1,845, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,844
Unconfirmed	1
<i>Summary</i>	
Total nominations carried over from the First Session	237
Total nominations received this session	13,307
Total confirmed	12,080
Total unconfirmed	1,440
Total withdrawn	24

*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 136 reports have been filed in the Senate, a total of 280 reports have been filed in the House.

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Wednesday, September 2, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 19385–19481

Measures Introduced: Five bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2431–2435, and S. Res. 270.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 389, to improve congressional deliberation on proposed Federal private sector mandates, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 105–299)

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Measures Passed:

Foreign Operations Appropriations, 1999: By 90 yeas to 3 nays (Vote No. 259), Senate passed S. 2334, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, after taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

Pages 19403, 19415, 19430

Adopted:

McConnell/Leahy Amendment No. 3491, to provide that the Export Import Bank shall not disburse direct loans, loan guarantees, insurance, or tied aid grants or credits for enterprises or programs in the New Independent States which are majority owned or managed by state entities.

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Inhofe Amendment No. 3366, to require a certification that the signing of the Landmine Convention is consistent with the combat requirements and safety of the armed forces of the United States.

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McConnell (for Brownback) Amendment No. 3528, to express the finding of the Senate that according to the Department of State, Iran continues to support international terrorism, providing training, financing, and weapons to such terrorist groups as Hizballah, Islamic Jihad and Hamas.

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McConnell (for DeWine) Amendment No. 3529, to provide additional resources for enhanced alternative crop development support in source zone.

Page 19420

McConnell (for Craig) Amendment No. 3530, to establish a Joint United States-Canada Commission on Cattle, Beef, and Dairy Products, to identify, and recommend means of resolving, national, regional, and provincial trade-distorting differences between the countries with respect to the production, processing, and sale of cattle, beef, and dairy products.

Pages 19420, 19424

McConnell (for Craig) Amendment No. 3531, to describe the circumstances under which funds made available under the legislation may be available to any tribunal.

Pages 19420, 19424

McConnell (for Craig) Amendment No. 3532, to express the Sense of the Senate concerning the operation of agricultural commodity foreign assistance programs.

Pages 19420, 19424, 19432

Subsequently, the amendment was modified.

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McConnell (for Reed) Amendment No. 3533, to make certain funds available for the Claiborne Pell Institute for International Relations and Public Policy at Salve Regina University.

Pages 19420, 19424

McConnell (for DeWine) Amendment No. 3534, to prohibit the availability of funds for Haiti unless certain conditions are met.

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McCain Modified Amendment No. 3500, to restrict the availability of certain funds for the Korean Peninsula Energy Development Organization unless an additional condition is met. (By 11 yeas to 80 nays (Vote No. 257), Senate failed to table the amendment.)

Pages 19403,

19415, 19419, 19424, 19430

McConnell (for McCain/Murkowski) Amendment No. 3501, to express the sense of the Congress regarding ballistic missile development by North Korea.

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Hutchison/McConnell Modified Amendment No. 3526 (to Amendment No. 3500), to condition the use of appropriated funds for the Korean Peninsula Energy Development Organization.

Pages 19403, 19426, 19430, 19447

Subsequently, the amendment was further modified.

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McConnell Amendment No. 3535, to provide for the establishment of an Office of Security within the Office of the Administrator of the Agency for International Development.

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Leahy (for DeWine/Leahy) Amendment No. 3536, to provide assistance for sub-Saharan Africa.

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Leahy (for Kerrey/Lott) Amendment No. 3537, to state the sense of the Senate regarding the development by the International Telecommunication Union of world standards for the next generation of wireless telecommunications services.

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Leahy Amendment No. 3538, to increase funds for peacekeeping operations, and increase funds for development assistance of the Agency for International Development.

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Leahy (for Abraham) Amendment No. 3539, to allow for the carryover of certain refugee resettlement funds.

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Rejected:

Kyl Amendment No. 3522, to establish conditions for the use of quota resources of the International Monetary Fund. (By 74 yeas to 19 nays (Vote No. 256), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Dodd Amendment No. 3527, to establish a procedure for the declassification of information pertaining to Guatemala and Honduras. (By 50 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 258), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Withdrawn:

Coats Amendment No. 3523, to reallocate funds provided to the Korean Peninsula Energy Development Organization to be available only for antiterrorism assistance. **Page 19432**

Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact—Conference Report: 78 yeas to 15 nays (Vote No. 255), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 629, to grant the consent of the Congress to the Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 19386**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Claiborne deB. Pell, of Rhode Island, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Fifty-third Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Rod Grams, of Minnesota, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Fifty-third Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Joseph R. Biden, of Delaware, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Fifty-third Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations. **Page 19474**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Robert Bruce Green, of Oklahoma, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Oklahoma for the term of four years.

The following-named Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Career Minister, for the personal rank of Career Ambassador in recognition of especially distinguished service over a sustained period:

Mary A. Ryan, of Texas.

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Foreign Service, Marine Corps, Navy. **Page 19476**

Communications: **Page 19452**

Statements on Introduced Bills: **Page 19457**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page 19463**

Amendments Submitted: **Page 19465**

Authority for Committees: **Page 19467**

Additional Statements: **Page 10468**

Record Votes: Five record votes were taken today. (Total—259). **Pages 19397, 19411, 19425, 19439, 19449**

Recess: Senate convened at 9:15 a.m., and recessed at 7:18 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, September 3, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 19475.)

Committee Meetings

NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies concluded hearings to review the educational mission of the National Constitution Center and its role in educating the public about the United States Constitution, after receiving testimony from Mayor Edward G. Rendell, Joseph M. Torsella, National Constitution Center, and Richard R. Beeman, University of Pennsylvania, all of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, all on behalf of NCC.

NOMINATION

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Jane E. Henney, of New Mexico, to be Commissioner of Food and Drugs, Department of Health and Human Services, after the nominee testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee will meet again on Wednesday, September 9.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House will next meet at 12:00 noon on Wednesday, September 9.

Committee Meetings

TECHNOLOGY TRANSFERS TO CHINA

Select Committee on U.S. National Security and Military/Commercial Concerns with the People's Republic of China: Met in executive session to continue to receive briefings on pending business.

Thursday, September 3, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 19484–19530

Measures Introduced: Four bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2436–2439, and S. Res. 271. **Page 19523**

Treasury/Postal Service Appropriations, 1999: By 91 yeas to 5 nays (Vote No. 260), Senate passed H.R. 4104, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 2312, Senate companion measure, as amended, and after taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Page 19495**

Adopted:

McConnell Amendment No. 3379, to provide for appointment and term length for the staff director and general counsel of the Federal Election Commission. **Page 19495**

Glenn Amendment No. 3380, to provide additional funding for enforcement activities of the Federal Election Commission. **Page 19496**

Campbell (for Grassley) Amendment No. 3386, to protect Federal law enforcement officers who intervene in certain situations to protect life or prevent bodily injury. **Page 19496**

Withdrawn:

Graham/Mack Amendment No. 3381, to provide funding for the Central Florida High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area. **Page 19496**

Harkin Amendment No. 3387, to provide additional funding to reduce methamphetamine usage in High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas. **Page 19496**

Kohl (for Kerrey) Amendment No. 3389, to express the sense of the Senate regarding payroll tax relief. **Page 19496**

Also, during consideration of this measure today, Senate took the following action:

Amendment No. 3356, to require the Administrator of General Services to acquire a lease for the Department of Transportation headquarters and to provide additional funding for security for the Capitol complex, agreed to on July 28, 1998, was modified. **Page 19496**

Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Campbell, Shelby, Faircloth, Stevens, Kohl, Mikulski, and Byrd. **Page 19499**

Subsequently, S. 2312 was indefinitely postponed. **Page 19499**

American Missile Protection Act—Cloture Filed: A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1873, to state the policy of the United States regarding the deployment of a missile defense system capable of defending the United States against limited ballistic missile attack, and by unanimous-consent agreement, the vote on the cloture motion will occur on Wednesday, September 9, 1998. **Page 19499**

Consumer Bankruptcy Reform Act—Cloture Filed: A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1301, to amend title 11 United States Code, to provide for consumer bankruptcy protection, with a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and by unanimous-consent agreement, the vote on the cloture motion will occur on Wednesday, September 9, 1998. **Page 19500**

Appointments:

Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention: The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, after consultation with the democratic leader, pursuant to Public Law 93-415, as amended by Public Law 102-586, announced the appointment of Robert H. Maxwell, of Mississippi, to serve a one-year term on the Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. **Page 19529**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Joseph Swerdzewski, of Colorado, to be General Counsel of the Federal Labor Relations Authority for a term of five years.

Pamela A. Ferguson, of Iowa, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2004.

Anita K. Jones, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2004.

Robert C. Richardson, of New York, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2004.

5 Coast Guard nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard. **Page 19529**

Communications:

Petitions:

Statements on Introduced Bills:

Additional Cosponsors:

Amendments Submitted:

Notices of Hearings:

Authority for Committees:

Additional Statements:

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—250). **Page 19499**

Recess: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and recessed at 6:24 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Friday, September 4, 1998, for a pro forma session.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

IRAQ INSPECTION SITES

Committee on Armed Services/Committee on Foreign Relations: Committees held joint hearings to examine United States policy with regard to United Nations inspections of Iraqi chemical sites, receiving testimony from William S. Ritter, Jr., former member of the United Nations Special Commission (UNSCOM) Inspection Team.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE DISPOSAL

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces concluded hearings to examine Department of Energy low-level radioactive waste disposal practices, after receiving testimony from Mary Ann Sullivan, General Counsel, and Jim Owendoff, Acting Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management, both of the Department of Energy; Karen Cyr, General Counsel, Nuclear Regulatory Commission; Jack K. Lemley, American Ecology Corporation, Boise, Idaho; Charles A. Judd, Envirocare of Utah, Inc., Salt Lake City; Earl E. Hoelien, International Uranium U.S.A. Corporation, Denver, Colorado; and Eric Peus, Waste Control Specialists, Inc., Pasadena, Texas.

NOMINATION

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Susan G. Esserman, of Maryland, to be Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Graham, testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

U.S. CUSTOMS SERVICE

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for the United States Customs Service, focusing on its role in the protection of U.S. borders and the facilitation of trade, after receiving testimony from James E. Johnson, Under Secretary for Enforcement, and Raymond W. Kelly, Commissioner, U.S. Customs Service, both of the Department of the Treasury; George J. Weise, Washington, D.C., former Commissioner of Customs; Jerry Cook, Sara Lee Knit Products, Winston-Salem, North Carolina; James D. Phillips, Canadian/American Border Trade Alliance, Lewiston, New York; and Ronald D. Schoof, Caterpillar Inc., Peoria, Illinois, on behalf of the Joint Industry Group.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Patricia A. Broderick, Natalia Combs Greene, and Neal E. Kravitz, each to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Kravitz was introduced by Senator Sarbanes.

COUNTER-TERRORISM

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings to examine the United States Government's response to the threat of international terrorism, after receiving testimony from Louis J. Freeh, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; and R. James Woolsey, Shea & Gardner, former Director of Central Intelligence, and Jeane Kirkpatrick, American Enterprise Institute, former United States Ambassador to the United Nations, both of Washington, D.C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House will next meet at 12:00 noon on Wednesday, September 9.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

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Friday, September 4, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, page 19531

Senate met at 10 a.m. in pro forma session and recessed at 10:00:22 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, September 8, 1998.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House will next meet at 12:00 noon on Wednesday, September 9.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

Tuesday, September 8, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 19532–19630

Measures Introduced: Ten bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2440–2449, and S. Res. 272.
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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2440, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. (S. Rept. No. 105–300)

S. 1380, to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 regarding charter schools, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–301)

S. 1016, to authorize appropriations for the Coastal Heritage Trail Route in New Jersey. (S. Rept. No. 105–302)

S. 1408, to establish the Lower East Side Tenement National Historic Site. (S. Rept. No. 105–303)

S. 1990, to authorize expansion of Fort Davis National Historic Site in Fort Davis, Texas. (S. Rept. No. 105–304)

S. 2039, to amend the National Trails System Act to designate El Camino Real de Tierra Adentro as a National Historic Trail. (S. Rept. No. 105–305)

S. 2109, to provide for an exchange of lands located near Gustavus, Alaska, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–306)

S. 2232, to establish the Little Rock Central High School National Historic Site in the State of Arkansas, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–307)

S. 2276, to amend the National Trails System Act to designate El Camino Real de los Tejas as a National Historic Trail, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 105–308)

S. 2228, to amend the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.) to modify termination and reauthor-

ization requirements for advisory committees. (S. Rept. No. 105–309)

S. 2317, to improve the National Wildlife Refuge System, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 105–310)

S. 1333, to amend the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 to allow national park units that cannot charge an entrance or admission fee to retain other fees and charges, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–311)

S. 1665, to reauthorize the Delaware and Lehigh Navigation Canal National Heritage Corridor Act, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 105–312)

S. 2129, to eliminate restrictions on the acquisition of certain land contiguous to Hawaii Volcanoes National Park. (S. Rept. No. 105–313)
Page 19556

Measures Passed:

National Children's Memorial Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 193, designating December 13, 1998, as "National Children's Memorial Day".
Page 19540

Recognizing the Service of Angela Raish: Senate agreed to S. Res. 272, recognizing the distinguished service of Angela Raish.
Page 19539

Interior Appropriations, 1999: Senate began consideration of S. 2237, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:
Page 19540

Adopted:

Gorton (for Jeffords/Torricelli) Amendment No. 3541, to earmark funds for the acquisition and preservation of Civil War battlefields. (By a unanimous vote of 83 nays (Vote No. 261), Senate failed to table the amendment.)
Page 19544

Gorton (for Craig) Amendment No. 3543, relating to fees charged for recreation residence fees charged on the Sawtooth National Forest.
Page 19548

Gorton (for Enzi) Amendment No. 3544, to subject certain reserved mineral interests to the Mineral Leasing Act.
Page 19548

Gorton Amendment No. 3545, to make technical corrections regarding the removal of economically viable commercial wood products prior to initiating burning activities.
Page 19548

Gorton Amendment No. 3548, to clarify how the Forest Service is to conduct public involvement related to management of fixed climbing anchors in wilderness areas.
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Gorton Amendment No. 3546, to make technical corrections regarding authority for the Forest Service to independently acquire a general ledger system.
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Gorton Amendment No. 3547, to make a technical correction regarding a prohibition on timber purchaser road credits.
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Gorton Amendment No. 3549, relating to activities of certain Indian trust accounts. **Page 19548**

Gorton Amendment No. 3550, of a technical nature. **Page 19548**

Gorton Amendment No. 3551, relating to the trust lands of the Cherokee territory in Oklahoma. **Page 19548**

Gorton (for Reid) Amendment No. 3552, to correct and clarify a legal description of land to be conveyed to Pahrump, Nevada. **Page 19548**

Gorton Amendment No. 3553, to add requirements in Forest Service administrative provisions for charging indirect expenses to permanent and trust funds. **Page 19548**

Bennett (for Gorton) Amendment No. 3555, regarding modifications to dams on the Columbia and Snake Rivers. **Page 19550**

Bennett (for Gorton) Amendment No. 3556, relating to the distribution of Bureau of Indian Affairs funds to Indian tribes, and the development of alternative methods to fund TPA base programs. **Page 19550**

Bennett (for Gorton) Amendment No. 3557, to provide for the transfer of additional funds to the Energy Conservation account. **Page 19551**

Pending:

McCain Amendment No. 3554, to reform the financing of Federal elections. **Page 19550**

A motion was entered to close further debate on Amendment No. 3554, listed above and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Thursday, September 10, 1998. **Page 19550**

Senate may resume consideration of the bill on Wednesday, September 9, 1998.

Measures Read First Time: **Page 19556**

Statements on Introduced Bills: **Page 19556**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page 19565**

Amendments Submitted: **Page 19568**

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Additional Statements: **Page 19576**

Text of S. 2334 and H.R. 4104 as Previously Passed: **Page 19580**

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—261) **Page 19545**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:21 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Wednesday, September 9, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 19629.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House will next meet at 12:00 noon on Wednesday, September 9.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

Wednesday, September 9, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 19631–19732

Measures Introduced: Five bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2450–2454 and S. Res. 273 and 274. **Page 19706**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1736, to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for vessel BETTY JANE. (S. Rept. No. 105–314)

S. 1802, to authorize appropriations for the Surface Transportation Board for fiscal years 1999, 2000, and 2001, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–315)

S. 2096, to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel FOILCAT, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 105–316)

S. 2124, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for the Maritime Administration, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 105–317)

S. 2139, to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel YESTERDAYS DREAM. (S. Rept. No. 105–318)

S. 1770, to elevate the position of Director of the Indian Health Service to Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services, to provide for the organizational independence of the Indian Health Service within the Department of Health and Human Services, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–319)

S. 469, to designate a portion of the Sudbury, Assabet, and Concord Rivers as a component of the National Wild and Scenic River System, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 105–320)

H.R. 1663, to clarify the intent of the Congress in Public Law 93–632 to require the Secretary of Agri-

culture to continue to provide for the maintenance of 18 concrete dams and weirs that were located in the Emigrant Wilderness at the time the wilderness area was designated as wilderness in that Public Law. (S. Rept. No. 105-321)

S. 1998, to authorize an interpretive center and related visitor facilities within the Four Corners Monument Tribal Park. (S. Rept. No. 105-322)

H.R. 2186, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance to the National Historic Trails Interpretive Center in Casper, Wyoming. (S. Rept. No. 105-323)

S. 2272, to amend the boundaries of Grant-Kohrs Ranch National Historic Site in the State of Montana. (S. Rept. No. 105-324)

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Measures Passed:

Congratulating Mark McGwire: Senate agreed to S. Res. 273, recognizing the historic home run record set by Mark McGwire of the St. Louis Cardinals on September 8, 1998.

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Interior Appropriations, 1999: Senate resumed consideration of S. 2237, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Pending:

McCain/Feingold Amendment No. 3554, to reform the financing of Federal elections.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the pending amendment on Thursday, September 10, 1998.

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Consumer Bankruptcy Reform Act: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1301, to amend title 11, United States Code, to provide for consumer bankruptcy protection.

Pages 19645, 19677, 19689

During consideration of this measure today, Senate took the following action:

By 99 yeas to 1 nays (Vote No. 263), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative, Senate agree to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

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Subsequently, the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill was agreed to, and the following amendment was proposed thereto:

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Pending:

Lott (for Grassley/Hatch) Amendment No. 3559, in the nature of a substitute.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the pending amendment and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Friday, September 11, 1998.

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American Missile Protection Act—Cloture Vote: By 59 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. 262), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to agree to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1873, to state the policy of the United States regarding the deployment of a missile defense system capable of defending the territory of the United States against limited ballistic missile attack.

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Child Custody Protection Act—Cloture Filed: A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1645, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit taking minors across State lines to avoid laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Friday, September 11, 1998.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

David G. Carpenter, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State.

David G. Carpenter, of Virginia, to be Director of the Office of Foreign Missions, and to have the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service.

William Lacy Swing, of North Carolina, to be Ambassador to the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Margaret B. Seymour, of South Carolina, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—263)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 7:38 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, September 10, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page 19731.)

Committee Meetings

AUTO CHOICE REFORM

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings on S. 625, to provide for competition between forms of motor vehicle insurance, to

permit an owner of a motor vehicle to choose the most appropriate form of insurance for that person, to guarantee affordable premiums, and to provide for more adequate and timely compensation for accident victims, after receiving testimony from Nebraska Governor E. Benjamin Nelson, Lincoln; former Massachusetts Governor Michael S. Dukakis, Northeastern University, Boston; Arizona State Senator Gary Richardson, on behalf of the National Conference of Insurance Legislators, and Michael R. Perry, Carnahan & Perry, on behalf of the Defense Research Institute, both of Phoenix, Arizona; Mayor Wellington E. Webb, Denver, Colorado; Fulton County Commissioner Michael Hightower, Atlanta, Georgia; Robert J. Demichelis, on behalf of the Brain Injury Association, and Peter Kinzler, Coalition for Auto-Insurance Reform, both of Alexandria, Virginia; Mark S. Mandel, Providence, Rhode Island, on behalf of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America; Robert Lee Maril, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater; and Tim Ryles, Ryles Resource Group, Newborn, Georgia, former Georgia State Commissioner of Insurance.

RETIREMENT SECURITY POLICY

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings to examine retirement security policy, focusing on proposals to reform the social security system, including S. 2313, to amend title II of the Social Security Act to provide for individual security accounts funded by employee and employer social security payroll deductions, and to extend the solvency of the old-age, survivors, and disability insurance program, receiving testimony from Senators Moynihan, Kerrey, Beaux, Gregg, Gramm, and Dominic; Edward M. Gramlich, Member, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, on behalf of the Advisory Council on Social Security; Alicia H. Munnell, Boston College Carroll School of Management, Chestnut, Massachusetts, former Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Economic Policy and former Member of the Council of Economic Advisers; Robert Myers, Silver Spring, Maryland, former Chief Actuary and former Deputy Commissioner of the Social Security Administration and former Executive Director of the National Commission on Social Security Reform; Andrew A. Samwick, Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire; and Carolyn L. Weaver, American Enterprise Institute, Washington, D.C., former Member of the Social Security Advisory Council and the U.S. Social Security Advisory Board.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

IRAQ

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs held hearings to examine United States policy in Iraq, receiving testimony from Martin S. Indyk, Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs; and R. James Woolsey, former Director, Central Intelligence Agency, Richard W. Murphy, former Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern and South

Asian Affairs, Lawrence S. Eagleburger, former Secretary of State, and Jeane J. Kirkpatrick, American Enterprise Institute, former U.S. Permanent Representative to the United Nations, all of Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

INSPECTOR GENERAL ACT

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine the state of the Inspector General community on the 20th anniversary of the Inspector General Act, and S. 2167, to increase the efficiency and accountability of Offices of Inspector General within Federal departments, after receiving testimony from June Gibbs Brown, Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services; Susan Gaffney, Inspector General, Department of Housing and Urban Development; and G. Edward DeSeve, Acting Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Robert Bruce King, of West Virginia, and William B. Traxler, Jr., of South Carolina, each to be a United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, H. Dean Buttram, Jr. and Inge Prytz Johnson, each to be a United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama, and Thomas J. Whelan, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. King was introduced by Senators Byrd and Rockefeller, Mr. Traxler was introduced by Senators Thurmond and Hollings, Messrs. Buttram and Johnson were introduced by Senators Sessions and Shelby, and Mr. Whelan was introduced by Senator Feinstein.

PRESIDENCY AND THE CRIMINAL PROCESS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution, Federalism, and Property Rights concluded hearings to examine the extent to which a sitting president should be subject to indictment or other compulsory criminal process, after receiving testimony from Eric M. Freedman, Hofstra University School of Law, Hempstead, New York; Akhil Reed Amar, Yale University Law School, New Haven, Connecticut; Frank Teurkheimer, University of Wisconsin School of Law, Madison; and Jonathan Turley, George Washington University Law School, Susan Low Bloch, Georgetown University Law Center, Peter F. Rient, Gainer, Rient and Hotis, and Douglas R. Cox, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher, all of Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 2432, to support programs of grants to States to address the assistive technology needs of individuals with disabilities, with an amendment.

Also, committee began consideration of proposed legislation to provide for compassionate payments with regard to individuals with blood-clotting disorders, such as hemophilia, who contracted human immunodeficiency virus due to contaminated blood products, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee will meet again on Wednesday, September 16.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 15 public bills, H.R. 4522–4536; and 3 resolutions, H. Res. 520, 523–524, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Filed on August 21: H.R. 4393, to revise the banking and bankruptcy insolvency laws with respect to the termination and netting of financial contracts (H. Rept. 105–688 Part 1);

Filed on August 21: H.R. 4321, to protect consumers and financial institutions by preventing personal financial information from being obtained from financial institutions under false pretenses (H. Rept. 105–701 Part 1);

H.R. 1794, a private bill for the relief of Mai Hoa "Jasmine" Salehi. (H. Rept. 105–689);

H.R. 1834, a private bill for the relief of Mercedes Del Carmen Quiroz Martinez Cruz (H. Rept. 105–690);

H.R. 1110, to designate a portion of the Sudbury, Assabet, and Concord Rivers as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System (H. Rept. 105–691);

H.R. 1983, to amend the Rhode Island Indian Claims Settlement Act to conform that Act with the judgments of the United States Federal Courts regarding the rights and sovereign status of certain Indian Tribes, including the Narragansett Tribe, (H. Rept. 105–692);

H.R. 2223, to amend the Act popularly known as the Recreation and Public Purposes Act to authorize transfers of certain public lands or national forest lands to local education agencies for use for elementary or secondary schools, including public charter schools, amended (H. Rept. 105–693);

H.R. 2776, to amend the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the establishment of the Morristown National Historical Park in the State of New Jersey, and for other purposes" to authorize the acquisition of property known as the Warren property (H. Rept. 105–694);

H.R. 3109, to establish the Thomas Cole National Historic Site in the State of New York, amended (H. Rept. 105–695);

H.R. 3797, to compensate the Wyandotte Tribe of Oklahoma for the taking of certain rights by the Federal Government, (H. Rept. 105–696);

S. 1695, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site in the State of Colorado as a unit of the National Park System, (H. Rept. 105–697);

H. Res. 521, providing for consideration of H.R. 2863, to amend the Migratory Bird Treaty Act to clarify restrictions under that Act on baiting, to facilitate acquisition of migratory bird habitat (H. Rept. 105–698);

H. Res. 522, providing for consideration of H.R. 2538, to establish a Presidential commission to determine the validity of certain land claims arising out of the Treaty of Guadalupe-Hidalgo of 1848 involving the descendants of persons who were Mexican citizens at the time of the Treaty (H. Rept. 105–699); and

H.R. 4259, to allow Haskell Indian Nations University and the Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute each to conduct a demonstration project to test the feasibility and desirability of new personnel management policies and procedures (H. Rept. 105–700 Part 1).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Gillmor to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Thomas Cole National Historic Site Act: H.R. 3109, amended, to establish the Thomas Cole National Historic Site in the State of New York. Agreed to amend the title;

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Conveyance of Fish Hatchery to Alabama: S. 1883, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Marion National Fish Hatchery and the Claude Harris National Aquacultural Research Center to the State of Alabama—clearing the measure for the President;

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Lake Chelan National Recreation Area: S. 1683, to transfer administrative jurisdiction over part of the Lake Chelan National Recreation Area from the Secretary of the Interior to the Secretary of Agriculture for inclusion in the Wenatchee National Forest—clearing the measure for the President;

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Public Safety Officer Medal of Valor Act: H.R. 4090, amended, to provide for a national medal for public safety officers who act with extraordinary valor above and beyond the call of duty;

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Thomas Alva Edison Sesquicentennial Commemorative Coin Act: H.R. 678, amended, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration

of the sesquicentennial of the birth of Thomas Alva Edison, to redesign the half dollar circulating coin for 1999 to commemorate Thomas Edison (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 397 yeas with 1 voting "nay", Roll No. 417). Agreed to amend the title; **Pages 19740, 19766**

Lewis and Clark Expedition Bicentennial Commemorative Coin Act: H.R. 1560, amended, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the bicentennial of the Lewis & Clark Expedition (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 398 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 418); **Pages 19744, 19766**

Designating Lloyd D. George Federal Building and Courthouse: H.R. 2225, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse to be constructed on Las Vegas Boulevard between Bridger Avenue and Clark Avenue in Las Vegas, Nevada, as the "Lloyd D. George Federal Building and United States Courthouse"; **Page 19766**

Designating Ronald V. Dellums Federal Building: H.R. 3295, to designate the Federal building located at 1301 Clay Street in Oakland, California, as the "Ronald V. Dellums Federal Building"; **Page 19748**

Commemorating 50 Years of Relations Between the U.S. and Korea: H. Res. 459, amended, commemorating 50 years of relations between the United States and the Republic of Korea (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 400 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 419); **Page 19751, 19767**

Expressing Sense of the House Deploring the Murder of Bishop Juan Jose Gerardi: H. Res. 421, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives deploring the tragic and senseless murder of Bishop Juan Jose Gerardi, calling on the Government of Guatemala to expeditiously bring those responsible for the crime to justice, and calling on the people of Guatemala to reaffirm their commitment to continue to implement the peace accords without interruption; **Page 19753**

Concerning New Tribes Mission Hostage Crisis: H. Con. Res. 277, concerning the New Tribes Mission hostage crisis; **Page 19757**

Calling for End to Recent Conflict Between Eritrea and Ethiopia: H. Con. Res. 292, amended, calling for an end to the recent conflict between Eritrea and Ethiopia; **Page 19759**

Designating James T. Leonard, Sr. Post Office Building: H.R. 3810, to designate the United States Post Office located at 202 Center Street in Garwood, New Jersey, as the "James T. Leonard, Sr. Post Office"; **Page 19762**

Designating Ray J. Favre Post Office Building: H.R. 2623, to designate the United States Post Office located at 16250 Highway 603 in Kiln, Mississippi, as the "Ray J. Favre Post Office Building"; **Page 19762**

Designating Jerome Anthony Ambro, Jr. Post Office Building: H.R. 3167, to designate the United States Post Office located at 297 Larkfield Road in East Northport, New York, as the "Jerome Anthony Ambro, Jr. Post Office Building"; **Page 19763**

Designating Edgar C. Campbell, Sr. Post Office Building: H.R. 3939, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 658 63rd Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "Edgar C. Campbell, Sr., Post Office Building"; **Page 19764**

Designating David P. Richardson, Jr. Post Office Building: H.R. 3999, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 5209 Greene Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "David P. Richardson, Jr., Post Office Building"; **Page 19765**

Recess: The House recessed at 3:03 p.m. and reconvened at 5:00 p.m. **Page 19766**

Communication from the Independent Counsel: The House received a communication from Independent Counsel Kenneth W. Starr which notified the House that his office delivered 36 sealed boxes containing two complete copies of a Referral to the House of Representatives. **Page 19768**

National Skill Standards Board: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Member on the part of the House to the National Skill Standards Board for a four-year term: William E. Weisgerber of Michigan. **Page 19770**

Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Member on the part of the House to the Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention for a two-year term: Gordon A. Martin of Massachusetts. **Page 19770**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page 19733.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 19797.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three ye and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 19767, and 19768. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:00 noon and at 8:34 p.m.

Committee Meetings

OVERSIGHT 2000 CENSUS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on the Census held a hearing on "Oversight of the 2000 Census: Review of Census Bureau Planning and Preparations in Response to the Federal Court Ruling that Sampling is Illegal". Testimony was heard from the

following officials of the Department of Commerce: James F. Holmes, Acting Director, Bureau of the Census; and Robert J. Shapiro, Under Secretary, Economic Affairs.

NATIONAL CAPITAL REVITALIZATION ACT TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on the District of Columbia approved for full Committee action the following: a measure that would make technical corrections to the National Capital Revitalization Act of 1997, specifically naming the GSA as the landholding agency for the Federal government of the Lorton Project; and a measure that would make technical corrections to the criminal justice section of the National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997.

BLOOD SAFETY

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Human Resources held an oversight hearing on the Blood Safety: Minimizing Plasma Product Risks. Testimony was heard from Bernice Steinhardt, Director, Health Services Quality and Public Health Issues, Health, Education and Human Services Division, GAO; Michael Friedman, M.D., Lead Deputy Commissioner, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

PACIFIC ISLAND NATIONS RESOLUTION

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific approved for full Committee action H. Res. 505, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives with respect to the importance of diplomatic relations with the Pacific Island nations.

GUADALUPE-HIDALGO TREATY LAND CLAIMS ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 2538, Guadalupe-Hidalgo Treaty Land Claims Act of 1998. The rule waives points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with section 303(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (prohibiting consideration of legislation, as reported, providing new budget authority, changes in revenues, or changes in the public debt for a fiscal year until the budget resolution for that year has been agreed to). The rule makes in order as an original bill for purposes of amending the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Resources now printed in the bill, as modified, and considers it as read. The rule permits the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record and considers them as read. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone recorded votes and reduce to five minutes the minimum time for electronic voting on any postponed votes, provided that the voting

time on the first series of questions shall not be less than 15 minutes. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representative Hansen.

MIGRATORY BIRD TREATY REFORM ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 2863, Migratory Bird Treaty Reform Act of 1998. The rule makes in order for the purpose of amending the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Resources now printed in the bill. The committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered as read. The rule permits the Chair to accord priority in recognition to members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record and considers them as read. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone recorded votes and reduce to five minutes the minimum time for electronic voting on any postponed votes, provided that the voting time on the first series of questions shall not be less than 15 minutes. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representative Saxton.

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Six bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2455–2460, S. Res. 275, and S. Con. Res. 116. **Page 19894**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2119, to amend the Amateur Sports Act to strengthen provisions protecting the right of athletes to compete, recognize the Paralympics and growth of disabled sports, improve the U.S. Olympic Committee's ability to resolve certain disputes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–325)

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Measures Passed:

Extending Financial Report Program: Senate passed S. 2071, to extend a quarterly financial report program administered by the Secretary of Commerce. **Page 19909**

Passage Vitiating: Senate vitiated passage of the following measures:

S. Con. Res. 110, honoring the memory of Detective John Michael Gibson and Private First Class Jacob Joseph Chestnut of the United States Capitol Police for their selfless acts of heroism at the United States Capitol on

July 24, 1998, and the measure was indefinitely postponed.

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S. Con. Res. 111, authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a memorial service for Detective John Michael Gibson and Private First Class Jacob Joseph Chestnut of the United States Capitol Police Force, and the measure was indefinitely postponed.

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Interior Appropriations, 1999: Senate resumed consideration of S. 2237, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

Pages 19830, 19868

Withdrawn:

McCain/Feingold Amendment No. 3554, to reform the financing of Federal elections.

Pages 19830, 19868

During consideration of this measure today, Senate took the following action:

By 52 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 264), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to agree to a motion to close further debate on Amendment No. 3554, listed above.

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Consumer Bankruptcy Reform Act: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1301, to amend title 11, United States Code, to provide for consumer bankruptcy protection, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

Pages 19869, 19879

Pending:

Lott (for Grassley/Hatch) Amendment No. 3559, in the nature of a substitute.

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Senate will vote on a motion to close further debate on the pending amendment on Friday, September 11, 1998.

Truth in Employment Act—Cloture Filed: A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1981, to preserve the balance of rights between employers, employees, and labor organizations which is fundamental to our system of collective bargaining while preserving the rights of workers to organize, or otherwise engage in concerted activities protected under the National Labor Relations Act and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Monday, September 14, 1998.

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Measures Indefinitely Postponed:

IDEA Authorization: S. 717, to amend the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, to reauthorize and make improvements to that Act.

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Defense Authorization: S. 924, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1998 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces.

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DC Appropriations: S. 1156, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998.

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Amtrak Labor Dispute: S.J. Res. 37, to provide for the extension of a temporary prohibition of strikes or lockout and to provide for binding arbitration with respect to the labor dispute between Amtrak and certain of its employees.

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Agriculture Census Authority: S. 845, to transfer to the Secretary of Agriculture the authority to conduct the census of agriculture.

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Asian Elephant Conservation: S. 1287, to assist in the conservation of Asian elephants by supporting and providing financial resources for the conservation programs of nations within the range of Asian elephants and projects of persons with demonstrated expertise in the conservation of Asian elephants.

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Kennedy Center Authorization: S. 2038, to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize appropriations for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and to further define the criteria for capital repair and operation and maintenance.

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African Elephant Conservation Act Authorization: S. 627, to reauthorize the African Elephant Conservation Act.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

T. J. Glauthier, of California, to be Deputy Secretary of Energy.

Harold Hongju Koh, of Connecticut, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor.

B. Lynn Pascoe, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Malaysia.

Herbert Lee Buchanan III, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Navy.

R. Rand Beers, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State.

Peter F. Romero, of Florida, to be an Assistant Secretary of State.

C. David Welch, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of State.

Jeh Charles Johnson, of New York, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Air Force.

2 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—264)	Page 19863

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:28 a.m., and adjourned at 7:37 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, September 11, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 19909.)

Committee Meetings

NOMINATION

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Michael M. Reyna, of California, to be a Member of the Farm Credit Administration Board, Farm Credit Administration, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

ORGAN DONATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies concluded hearings to examine the Department of Health and Human Services proposed organ donation regulations and their impact on the national organ donation and allocation system, after receiving testimony from Donna Shalala, Secretary of Health and Human Services; Ronald W. Busuttil, Dumont-UCLA Transplant Center, Los Angeles, California, on behalf of the American Society of Transplant Surgeons; Craid J. Irwin, National Transplant Action Committee, Portland, Oregon; Charles M. Miller, Recanati-Miller Transplantation Institute/Mount Sinai Medical Center, New York, New York; and William W. Pfaff, United Network for Organ Sharing, Richmond, Virginia.

INTERNATIONAL SATELLITE REFORM

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications concluded hearings to examine the state of competition in the international satellite industry and S. 2365, to promote competition and privatization in satellite communications, after receiving testimony from Vonya B. McCann, United States Coordinator, International Communications and Information Policy, Department of State; Regina M. Keeney, Chief, International Bureau, Federal Communications Commission; Gerald B. Helman, Ellipso, Inc., and Conny Kullman, INTELSAT, both of Washington, D.C.; Betty C. Alewine, COMSAT Corporation, Bethesda, Maryland;

and James W. Cuminale, PanAmSat Corporation, Greenwich, Connecticut.

UTAH PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management concluded hearings on S. 2385, to establish the San Rafael Swell National Heritage Area and the San Rafael National Conservation Area in the State of Utah, after receiving testimony from Senators Hatch and Bennett; Representative Cannon; Patrick A. Shea, Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; Emery County Commissioner Randy G. Johnson, Castle Dale, Utah; and Mike Matz, Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance, Salt Lake City.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Terrence L. Bracy, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy, and Norine E. Noonan, of Florida, to be Assistant Administrator for Research and Development of the Environmental Protection Agency, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Bracy was introduced by Senators McCain and Warner, and Ms. Noonan was introduced by Senator Graham.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

H.R. 3809, to authorize funds for the United States Customs Service for drug interdiction programs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 4342, to make miscellaneous and technical changes to various trade laws, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nomination of Susan G. Esserman, of Maryland, to be Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador.

WIPO COPYRIGHT TREATIES

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the World Intellectual Property Organization Copyright Treaty and the World Intellectual Property Organization Performances and Phonograms Treaty, done at Geneva on December 20, 1996, and signed by the United States on April 12, 1997 (Treaty Doc. 105-17), after receiving testimony from Alan P. Larson, Assistant Secretary of State for Economic and Business Affairs; Jack Valenti, Motion Picture Association of America, Roy M. Neel, United States Telephone Association, and Peter Jaszi, American University, all of Washington, D.C.; and Christopher Byrne, Silicon Graphics, Mountain View, California.

NORTH KOREA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs concluded hearings to examine recent developments in North Korea, after receiving testimony from Charles F. Kartman, Special Envoy, Korean Peace Talks, Department of State; Kurt M. Campbell, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of Defense; and Robert Gallucci, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.

FOOD IMPORT SAFETY

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations resumed hearings to examine the safety of food imports, focusing on certain fraud and deceptive techniques used by individuals to import food products illegally into the United States and weaknesses in import controls, receiving testimony from Lawrence J. Dyckman, Director, Food and Agriculture Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; Richard J. Hoglund, Deputy Assistant Commissioner, Office of Investigations, United States Customs Service, Department of the Treasury; and a confidential former Customs Broker.

Hearings continue on Thursday, September 24.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Timothy B. Dyk, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts approved for full committee consideration the following bills:

S. 2083, to provide for Federal class action reform, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. Res. 256, to refer S. 2274 entitled "A bill for the relief of Richard M. Barlow of Santa Fe, New Mexico" to the chief judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a report thereon.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee began markup of S. 2288, to provide for the reform and continuing legislative oversight of the production, procurement, dissemination, and permanent public access of Government publications, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

FAMILY CAREGIVING

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded hearings to examine the needs and problems facing family caregivers, after receiving testimony from former First Lady Rosalynn Carter, Rosalynn Carter Institute/Georgia Southwestern State University, Americus; Gail Gibson Hunt, National Alliance for Caregiving, Bethesda, Mary-

land; Peter S. Arno, Montefiore Medical Center/Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Bronx, New York; Carol Levine, United Hospital Fund, and Mary S. Mittelman, Alzheimer's Disease Center/New York University Medical Center, both of New York, New York; David Levy and Carol Weinrod, both of Franklin Health, Inc., Upper Saddle River, New Jersey; and Myrl Weinberg, National Health Council, Washington, D.C.

Y2K TRANSPORTATION TECHNOLOGY

Special Committee on the Year 2000 Technology Problem: Committee concluded hearings to examine the transportation industry efforts to prepare for the Year 2000 technology conversion problem, after receiving testimony from Mortimer Downey, Deputy Secretary, and Jane F. Garvey, Administrator, Federal Aviation Administration, both of the Department of Transportation; Charles Feld, Delta Air Lines, Inc., Washington, D.C.; Deborah Freedman, SABRE Technology Solutions Division/SABRE Group, Inc., DFW Airport, Texas; Paige Miller, Port of Seattle, Seattle, Washington; Joyce Wrenn, Union Pacific Railroad, Omaha, Nebraska; Scott Skillman, Crowley Maritime Corporation, Oakland, California; Christopher B. Lofgren, Schneider National, Inc., Green Bay, Wisconsin; and Robin C. Stevens, New York State Metropolitan Transportation Authority, Albany.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 12 public bills, H.R. 4537-4548; 1 private bill, H.R. 4549; and 5 resolutions, H. Res. 525-529, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3789, to amend title 28, United States Code, to enlarge Federal Court jurisdiction over purported class actions, amended, (H. Rept. 105-702);

H.R. 2921, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to require the Federal Communications Commission to conduct an inquiry into the impediments to the development of competition in the market for multichannel video programming distribution (H. Rept. 105-661 Part 2); and

H. Res. 525, providing for a deliberative review by the Committee on the Judiciary of a communication from an independent counsel, and for the release thereof (H. Rept. 105-703).

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Dr. Ronald F. Christian of Virginia.

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Decorum of Debate: The Speaker reiterated the rules of the House with respect to the decorum of debate, including one-minute and special-order speeches. **Page 19914**

Migratory Bird Treaty Reform Act: The House passed H.R. 2863, to amend the Migratory Bird Treaty Act to clarify restrictions under that Act on baiting, to facilitate acquisition of migratory bird habitat, by a yea and nay vote of 322 yeas to 90 nays, Roll No. 420. Agreed to the Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 19916**

Agreed to H. Res. 521, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by voice vote. **Page 19916**

Guadalupe-Hidalgo Treaty Land Claims Act: The House passed H.R. 2538, to establish a Presidential commission to determine the validity of certain land claims arising out of the Treaty of Guadalupe-Hidalgo of 1848 involving the descendants of persons who were Mexican citizens at the time of the Treaty, by a yea and nay vote of 223 yeas to 187 nays, Roll No. 421. Agreed to the Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, as modified by the rule. **Page 19925**

Agreed to H. Res. 522, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by voice vote. **Page 19924**

Intelligence Authorization Act: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 3694, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and agree to a conference. Appointed as conferees from the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence for consideration of the House bill and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Goss, Young of Florida, Lewis of California, Shuster, McCollum, Castle, Boehlert, Bass, Gibbons, Dicks, Dixon, Skaggs, Pelosi, Harman, Skelton, and Bishop. Appointed as conferees from the Committee on National Security for consideration of the House bill and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Spence, Stump, and Sanchez. **Page 19947**

English Language Fluency Act: The House passed H.R. 3892, to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to establish a program to help children and youth learn English, by a recorded vote of 221 yeas to 189 noes, Roll No. 424. **Page 19947**

Agreed To:

The Bonilla amendment, numbered 3 and printed in the Congressional Record, that strikes section 7406 that requires State standardized testing in English; **Page 19966**

The Riggs en bloc amendment, consisting of amendments numbered 5, 7, 8, and 9 and printed in the Congressional Record, that allows grants to a State educational agency in States with one school district, includes specialized tutoring programs to prevent students

from dropping out of school, measures achievement by number and percentage of children, designs evaluations by grade level, and guarantees funding of at least 100 percent of the fiscal year 1998 baseline level under current law during the five-year transition period; **Page 19966**

The Hayworth amendment, numbered 4 and printed in the Congressional Record, that clarifies that nothing in the Act shall be construed to limit the preservation or use of Native American languages; **Page 19967**

The Smith of Michigan amendment, numbered 6 and printed in the Congressional Record, that permits funding for family literacy services; and **Page 19968**

The Riggs amendment, numbered 2 and printed in the Congressional Record, that permits states to approve grants to local school districts only if the district is in compliance with State law regarding the education of English language learners (agreed to by a recorded vote of 230 yeas to 184 noes, Roll No. 423). **Pages 19961, 19971**

Rejected:

The Martinez amendment to the Riggs amendment numbered 2, that sought to specify that the State may approve grants to local school districts only if it is in compliance with State law regarding the education of English language learners, except if it is necessary for the school district to comply with Federal law or a Federal court order (rejected by a recorded vote of 205 yeas to 208 noes, Roll No. 422). **Pages 19962, 19971**

The Clerk was authorized in the engrossment of the bill to make technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House. **Page 19973**

Agreed to H. Res. 516, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by voice vote. **Page 19939**

Order of Procedure: Agreed by unanimous consent that the debate on H. Res. 525, providing for review by the Committee on the Judiciary of a Communication from an Independent Counsel, be enlarged to two hours, equally divided and controlled by the member of the Committee on Rules who calls up the resolution and a minority member of that committee. **Page 20001**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 20005.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea and nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on page 19923, 19938, 19971, and 19972. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 9:34 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FOREIGN OPERATIONS, EXPORT FINANCING AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs appropriations for fiscal year 1999.

RUSSIAN ECONOMIC CRISIS—IMF AID PACKAGE

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on General Oversight and Investigations held a hearing to examine the Russian Economic Crisis and the IMF Aid Package. Testimony was heard from David A. Lipton, Under Secretary, International Affairs, Department of the Treasury; Thomas J. Kneir, Deputy Assistant Director, Organized Crime/Drug Branch, Criminal Investigative Division, FBI, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

INTERNATIONAL ANTI-BRIBERY AND FAIR COMPETITION ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials held a hearing on H.R. 4353, International Anti-Bribery and Fair Competition Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Andrew Pincus, General Counsel, Department of Commerce; and Paul V. Gerlach, Associate Director, Division of Enforcement, SEC.

PORTALS INVESTIGATION

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations continued hearings on the circumstances surrounding the FCC's planned relocation to the Portals, including the efforts of Franklin L. Haney and his representatives with respect to this matter and the circumstances surrounding the payments of fees to those representatives. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Hearings continue September 15.

AMERICAN WORKER PROJECT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on American Worker Project: Regulatory Affairs at the Department of Labor—Garment Industry Trendsetters. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Labor: Suzanne B. Seiden, Acting Deputy Administrator, Wage and Hour Division; and Andrew J. Samet, Acting Deputy Under Secretary, International Labor Affairs Bureau.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Favorably considered the following resolutions and adopted a motion urging the Chairman to request that they be considered on the Suspension Calendar: H. Con. Res. 304, expressing the sense of the Congress regarding the culpability of

Slobodan Milosevic for war crimes, crimes against humanity, and genocide in the former Yugoslavia; H. Con. Res. 315, amended, expressing the sense of the Congress condemning the atrocities by Serbian police and military forces against Albanians in Kosovo and urging that blocked assets of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) under control of the United States and other governments be used to compensate the Albanians in Kosovo for losses suffered through Serbian police and military action; H. Res. 381, expressing the sense of the Congress that the President should renegotiate the extradition treaty with Mexico so that the possibility of capital punishment will not interfere with the timely extradition of criminal suspects from Mexico to the United States; and H. Res. 505, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives with respect to the importance of diplomatic relations with the Pacific Island nations.

SANCTIONS REVISITED

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade held a hearing on Sanctions Revisited. Testimony was heard from Elliott Abrams, former Assistant Secretary, Inter-American Affairs; Human Rights and Humanitarian Affairs; and for International Organization Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

INDEPENDENT COUNSEL COMMUNICATION—REVIEW BY JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

Committee on Rules: Ordered reported by a non-record vote, H. Res. 525, a resolution providing for review by the Committee on the Judiciary of a Communication from an Independent Counsel. Testimony was heard from Representatives Hyde, Conyers, Jackson-Lee, Waters, Lofgren, and Deutsch.

OVERSIGHT—DELAYS IN NASA'S EARTH SCIENCE ENTERPRISE

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics held an oversight hearing on Delays in NASA's Earth Science Enterprise. Testimony was heard from Ghassem Asrar, Associate Administrator, Earth Science, NASA; Robert S. Winokur, Assistant Administrator, Satellite and Information Services, NOAA, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

TRAVEL AGENT COMMUNITY—ISSUES OF CONCERN

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on issues of concern to the Travel Agent Community, focusing on the following: H.R. 3704, Consumer Access to Travel Information Act of 1998; changes to the preemption provision in Section 10 of H.R. 3160, Airline Competition and Lower Fares Act; the contention that airlines have engaged in an unfair competitive practice by lowering their standard commission rates for all travel agents except for

the Scheduled Airline Traffic Office (SATO); and Commission overrides. Testimony was heard from Representative Forbes; and public witnesses.

BRIEFING—EMBASSY BOMBINGS IN AFRICA

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Embassy Bombings in Africa. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

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Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 20052–94

Measures Introduced: Two bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2461–2462 and S. Con. Res. 117. **Page 20065**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2361, to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to authorize programs for predisaster mitigation, to streamline the administration of disaster relief, to control the Federal costs of disaster assistance, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 105–326) **Page 20065**

Measures Passed:

Volunteers for Wildlife Act: Senate passed H.R. 1856, to amend the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 to promote volunteer programs and community partnerships for the benefit of national wildlife refuges. **Page 20074**

Lott (for Chafee) Amendment No. 3578, to make technical corrections. **Page 20075**

Fish and Wildlife Revenue Enhancement Act: Senate passed S. 2094, to amend the Fish and Wildlife Improvement Act of 1978 to enable the Secretary of the Interior to more effectively use the proceeds of sales of certain items, after agreeing to committee amendments, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 20076**

Lott (for Chafee) Amendment No. 3579, to make technical corrections. **Page 20076**

Child Custody Protection Act—Cloture Vote: By a unanimous vote of 97 yeas (Vote No. 265), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to a motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1645, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit taking minors across State lines to avoid laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions. **Pages 20052, 20060**

Consumer Bankruptcy Reform Act—Cloture Vote Vitiated: By unanimous-consent agreement, the cloture vote scheduled to occur on the pending Lott (for Grassley/Hatch) Amendment No. 3559, in the nature of a substitute, to S. 1301, to amend title 11, United States Code, to provide for consumer bankruptcy protection, was vitiating. **Page 20061**

Subsequently, a unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and certain amendments to be proposed thereto, and that following disposition of the listed amendments and the committee substitute, the Senate proceed to consideration of H.R. 3150, House companion measure, that all after the enacting clause be stricken and the text of S. 1301, as amended, be inserted in lieu thereof, and passage occur thereon. Also, that the Senate insist on its amendment, request a conference with the House and the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate, as follows: Senators Hatch, Grassley, Sessions, Leahy, and Durbin. **Page 20061**

Truth in Employment Act—Cloture Vote Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1981, to preserve the balance of rights between employers, employees, and labor organizations which is fundamental to our system of collective bargaining while preserving the rights of workers to organize, or otherwise engage in concerted activities protected under the National Labor Relations Act, on Monday, September 14, 1998, with a vote on the cloture motion to occur at 5:30 p.m. **Page 20077**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Craig Gordon Dunkerly, of Massachusetts, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, for the Rank of Ambassador during his tenure of Service as Special Envoy for Conventional Forces in Europe.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—265) **Page 20056**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 2:44 p.m., until 11 a.m., on Monday, Sep-

tember 14, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 20078.)

Committee Meetings

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported H.R. 10, to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, and other financial service providers, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

Meeting Hour—September 14: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 10:30 a.m. on September 14, 1998. **Page 20042**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, September 16, 1998. **Page 20042**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page 20020.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea and nay vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appears on page 20040. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 1:02 p.m. **Page 20049**

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Bills Introduced: 7 public bills, H.R. 4550–4556; 1 private bill, H.R. 4557; and 4 resolutions, H. Res. 530–533 were introduced. **Page 20050**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1659, to provide for the expeditious completion of the acquisition of private mineral interests within the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument mandated by the 1982 Act that established the Monument, amended (H. Rept. 105–704);

H.R. 4166, to amend the Idaho Admission Act regarding the sale or lease of school land (H. Rept. 105–705);

H.R. 3903, to provide for an exchange of lands located near Gustavus, Alaska, amended (H. Rept. 105–706);

H.R. 2314, to restore Federal Indian services to members of the Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma residing in Maverick County, Texas, to clarify United States citizenship status of such members, to provide trust land for the benefit of the Tribe (H. Rept. 105–707 part 1); and

H.R. 3055, to deem the activities of the Miccosukee Tribe on the Tamiami Indian Reservation to be consistent with the purposes of the Everglades National Park, amended (H. Rept. 105–708 part 1). **Page 20050**

Review of Communication from Independent Counsel: The House agreed to H. Res. 525, providing for a deliberative review by the Committee on the Judiciary of a communication from an independent counsel, and for the release thereof, by a yea and nay vote of 363 yeas to 63 nays, Roll No. 425. **Page 20020**

Committee Election: Agreed to H. Res. 530, electing Representative Barrett of Wisconsin to the Committee on the Judiciary. **Page 20041**

Legislative Program: The Majority Leader discussed the legislative program for the week of September 14. **Page 20041**

Committee Meetings

INTERNET—PROTECTING CHILDREN FROM INAPPROPRIATE MATERIALS

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on legislative proposals to Protect Children from Inappropriate Materials on the Internet. Testimony was heard from Senator Coats; Representatives Franks of New Jersey and Istook; Stephen R. Wiley, Chief, Violent Crimes and Major Offenders Section, FBI, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

CONSTRUCTION SUBCONTRACTORS PAYMENT PROTECTION ENHANCEMENT ACT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology and the Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law of the House Committee on the Judiciary held a joint hearing on H.R. 3032, Construction Subcontractors Payment Protection Enhancement Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Deidre Lee, Administrator, Office of Federal Procurement Policy, OMB; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime began mark up of the following bills: H.R. 4427, Internet Gambling Prohibition Act of 1998; H.R. 3046, Police, Fire, and Emergency Prohibition Act of 1998; S. 1976, Crime Victims with Disabilities Awareness Act of 1998; H.R. 804, to amend part Q of title 1 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to ensure that Federal funds made available to hire or rehire law enforcement officers are used in a manner that produces a net gain of the number of law enforcement officers who perform non-administrative public safety services; and S. 2022, Crime Identification Technology Act of 1998.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade approved for full Committee action amended a measure to reauthorize the Generalized System of Preferences.

TECHNOLOGY TRANSFERS TO CHINA

Select Committee on U.S. National Security and Military/Commercial Concerns with the People's Republic of China: Met in executive session to continue to receive briefings on pending business.

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Measures Introduced: Six bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2463–2468. **Page 20158**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2213, to allow all States to participate in activities under the Education Flexibility Partnership Demonstration Act, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–327)

S. 1718, to amend the Weir Farm National Historic Site Establishment Act of 1990 to authorize the acquisition of additional acreage for the historic site to permit the development of visitor and administrative facilities and to authorize the appropriation of additional amounts for the acquisition of real and personal property, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 105–328)

S. 1719, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to exchange land and other assets with Big Sky Lumber Co., with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–329)

S. 2106, to expand the boundaries of Arches National Park, Utah, to include portions of certain drainages that are under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management, and to include a portion of Fish Seep Draw owned by the State of Utah, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 105–330)

H.R. 3830, to provide for the exchange of certain lands within the State of Utah. (S. Rept. No. 105–331)

S. 2364, to reauthorize and make reforms to programs authorized by the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965. (S. Rept. No. 105–332)

S. 2463, to provide authorities with respect to the transfer of excess defense articles and the transfer of naval vessels under the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 and the Arms Export Control Act. (S. Rept. No. 105–333)

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Interior Appropriations, 1999: Senate resumed consideration of S. 2237, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

Pages 20120, 20147, 20153

Adopted:

Gorton (for Campbell) Amendment No. 3582, to strike provisions regarding use of highway trust funds.

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Gorton Amendment No. 3583, to require repayment of misused Federal funds by self-governance tribes.

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Gorton Amendment No. 3584, to adjust the boundaries of the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area.

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Gorton Amendment No. 3585, to prohibit the use of funds for land acquisition at Texas Chenier Plain.

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Gorton (for Hollings) Amendment No. 3586, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make corrections to a map relating to the Coastal Barrier Resources System.

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Gorton (for Mikulski/Sarbanes) Amendment No. 3587, relating to a land exchange in the District of Columbia and Prince George's County, Maryland.

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Gorton (for Stevens) Amendment No. 3588, regarding wildland fire management in Alaska.

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Gorton (for Stevens) Amendment No. 3589, providing for an exchange of land at Katmai National Park.

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Gorton (for Wyden) Amendment No. 3590, to provide that the Bureau of Land Management may enter into watershed restoration and enhancement agreements with the same entities and for the same purposes as is provided in section 323 of the bill for Forest Service agreements.

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Rejected:

Harkin (for Daschle) Amendment No. 3580, to provide emergency assistance to agricultural producers. (By 53 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. 267), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Pending:

Daschle Amendment No. 3581, to provide emergency assistance to agricultural producers.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Tuesday, September 15, 1998.

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Truth in Employment Act: Senate considered the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1981, to preserve the balance of rights between employers, employees, and labor organizations which is fundamental to our system of collective bargaining while preserving the rights of workers to organize, or otherwise engage in concerted activities protected under the National Labor Relations Act.

Page 20106, 20142

During consideration of this motion today, Senate also took the following action:

By 52 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. 266), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to agree to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

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Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report of United States participation in the United Nations for calendar year 1997; referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM-155).

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Transmitting the report on aeronautics and space for fiscal year 1997; referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. (PM-156).

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Richard Danzig, of the District of Columbia, to be Secretary of the Navy.

2 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

5 Coast Guard nominations in the rank of admiral. Routine list in the Navy.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—267)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 11 a.m., and adjourned at 7:11 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, September 15, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 20168.)

Committee Meetings

NURSING HOME EMPLOYEE BACKGROUND CHECK

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded hearings to examine certain safeguard measures for identifying people who may pose a possible threat of abuse and neglect to residents of nursing homes and other long-term-care facilities, after receiving testimony from Thomas D. Roslewicz, Deputy Inspector General for Audit Services,

Department of Health and Human Services; Claudia Stine, Wisconsin Board on Aging and Long Term Care, Madison; Kim D. Schmett, Iowa Department of Inspections and Appeals, Des Moines; Lee Bitler, Country Meadows Corporation, Hershey, Pennsylvania, on behalf of the American Health Care Association; Richard D. Reichard, National Lutheran Home for the Aged, Rockville, Maryland, on behalf of the American Association of Homes and Services for the Aging; Melissa Putnam, Beverly Manor, Reading, Pennsylvania, on behalf of the Service Employees International Union; and Richard A. Meyer, Libertyville, Illinois.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 8 public bills, H.R. 4558–4565; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 326 and H. Res. 534, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 4309, to provide a comprehensive program of support for victims of torture, amended (H. Rept. 105–709 part 1);

H.R. 3248, to provide dollars to the classroom, amended (H. Rept. 105–710);

H.R. 3898, to amend the Controlled Substances Act and the Controlled Substances Import and Export Act to conform penalties for violations involving certain amounts of methamphetamine to penalties for violations involving similar amounts of cocaine base, amended (H. Rept. 105–711 part 1);

H. Res. 535, providing for consideration of H.R. 4006, to clarify Federal law to prohibit the dispensing or distribution of a controlled substance for the purpose of causing, or assisting in causing, the suicide, or euthanasia, of any individual (H. Rept. 105–712); and

H.R. 4382, to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend the program for mammography quality standards, amended (H. Rept. 105–713).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Jones to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 10:35 a.m. and reconvened at 12:00 noon.

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:49 p.m. and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Community Opportunities, Accountability, and Training and Educational Services Act: S. 2206, amended, to amend the Head Start Act, the Low-Income

Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981, and the Community Services Block Grant Act to reauthorize and make improvements to those Acts, to establish demonstration projects that provide an opportunity for persons with limited means to accumulate assets (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 346 yeas to 20 nays, Roll No. 426);

Pages 20171, 20224

Next Generation Internet Research Act: H.R. 3332, amended, to amend the High-Performance Computing Act of 1991 to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1999 and 2000 for the Next Generation Internet program, to require the Advisory Committee on High-Performance Computing and Communications, Information Technology, and the Next Generation Internet to monitor and give advice concerning the development and implementation of the Next Generation Internet program and report to the President and the Congress on its activities. Agreed to amend the title;

Page 20196

Postal Employees Safety Enhancement Act: S. 2112, to make the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 applicable to the United States Postal Service in the same manner as any other employer—clearing the measure for the President;

Page 20199

Designating Hurff A. Saunders Federal Building: S. 2032, amended, to designate the Federal building in Juneau, Alaska, as the "Hurff A. Saunders Federal Building". Agreed to amend the title;

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Designating Aaron Henry U.S. Postal Office: H.R. 892, amended, to redesignate the Federal building located at 223 Sharkey Street in Clarksdale, Mississippi, as the "Aaron Henry United States Post Office". Agreed to amend the title;

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Sense of Congress Regarding Slobodan Milosevic: H. Con. Res. 304, expressing the sense of the Congress regarding the culpability of Slobodan Milosevic for war crimes, crimes against humanity, and genocide in the former Yugoslavia (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 369 yeas with 1 voting "nay" and 1 voting "present", Roll No. 427). Subsequently, the House agreed to S. Con. Res. 105, a similar Senate-passed bill—clearing the measure for the President. H. Con. Res. 304 was then laid on the table;

Pages 20202, 20224, 20227

Calling on Cuba to Extradite to U.S. Convicted Felons: H. Con. Res. 254, amended, calling on the Government of Cuba to extradite to the United States convicted felon Joanne Chesimard and all other individuals who have fled the United States to avoid prosecution or confinement for criminal offenses and who are currently living freely in Cuba (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 371 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 428);

Pages 20207, 20225

Promoting Independent Radio Broadcasting in Africa: H. Res. 415, to promote independent radio broadcasting in Africa;

Page 20208

Making USIA TV Program Available to Ukrainian Museum: H.R. 4083, amended, to make available to the Ukrainian Museum and Archives the USIA television program "Window on America";

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Urging International Cooperation in Recovering Abducted Children: H. Con. Res. 224, urging international cooperation in recovering children abducted in the United States and taken to other countries;

Page 20212

50th Anniversary of Signing of Declaration of Human Rights: H. Con. Res. 185, amended, expressing the sense of the Congress on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the signing of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and recommitting the United States to the principles expressed in the Universal Declaration (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 370 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 429);

Pages 20213, 20226

Torture Victims Relief Act: H.R. 4309, amended, to provide a comprehensive program of support for victims of torture;

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Commission on Advancement of Women in Science, Engineering, and Technology Development Act: H.R. 3007, amended, to establish the Commission on the Advancement of Women in Science, Engineering, and Technology Development; and

Page 20218

Conveyance of Federal Land in San Joaquin County, CA: H.R. 2508, amended, to provide for the conveyance of Federal land in San Joaquin County, California, to the City of Tracy, California.

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Recess: The House recessed at 3:03 p.m. and reconvened at 5:15 p.m.

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United States Capitol Publication: Considered by unanimous consent, the House agreed to S. Con. Res. 115, to authorize the printing of copies of the publication entitled "The United States Capitol" as a Senate document.

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Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

U.S. Government Activities in the United Nations: Message wherein he transmitted the report of the activities of the U.S. government in the United Nations and its affiliated agencies for 1997—referred to the Committee on International Relations; and

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U.S. Achievements in Aeronautics and Space: Message wherein he transmitted his report on the Nation's achievements in aeronautics and space during fiscal year 1997—referred to the Committee on Science.

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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page 20171.

Referral: S. 2094, to amend the Fish and Wildlife Improvement Act of 1978 to enable the Secretary of the In-

terior to more effectively use the proceeds of sales of certain items was referred to the Committee on Resources.

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Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 20245.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 20224, 20225, 20226, and 20227. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Committee Meetings

INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC TURMOIL

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Held a hearing on International Economic Turmoil. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

FEDERAL SUNSET ACT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held a hearing on H.R. 2939, Federal Sunset Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Representative Brady of Texas; Edward DeSeve, Deputy Director, Management, OMB; and Patricia Gray, Representative, State of Texas and Chair, Texas Sunset Commission.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: On September 14, the Subcommittee on Crime approved for full Committee action the following measures: H.R. 4427, amended, Internet Gambling Prohibition Act of 1998; H.R. 3046, amended, Police, Fire, and Emergency Prohibition Act of 1998; S. 1976, Crime Victims with Disabilities Awareness Act of 1998; H.R. 804, to amend part Q of title 1 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to ensure that Federal funds made available to hire or rehire law enforcement officers are used in a manner that produces a net gain of the number of law enforcement officers who perform non-administrative public safety services; and S. 2022, Crime Identification Technology Act of 1998.

LETHAL DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION ACT

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by voice vote, a modified open rule on H.R. 4006, Lethal Drug Abuse Prevention Act providing one hour of general debate equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule provides for a three hour time limit on the amendment process. The rule makes in order as an original bill for the purpose of amendment the Judiciary Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, which will be

considered as read. The rule provides that the chairman of the Committee of the Whole may accord priority in recognition to Members who pre-print their amendment in the Congressional Record. The rule allows the chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone recorded votes on amendments and reduce to five minutes the minimum time for electronic voting on any postponed votes, provided that the voting time on the first in a series of questions is not less than 15 minutes. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Hutchinson, Frank of Massachusetts, Jackson-Lee of Texas, and Scott.

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Eight bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2469–2476 and S. Res. 276 and 277.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2432, to support programs of grants to States to address the assistive technology needs of individuals with disabilities, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–334)

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Interior Appropriations, 1999: Senate resumed consideration of S. 2237, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

Enzi Amendment No. 3592, to prohibit the Secretary of the Interior from promulgating certain regulations relating to Indian gaming and to prohibit the Secretary from approving class III gaming without State approval.

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Rejected:

Bumpers Amendment No. 3591, to strike provisions requiring a report from the National Academy of Sciences reviewing the adequacy of existing Federal and State environmental regulations applicable to exploration and mining on Federal lands. (By 58 yeas to 40 nays (Vote No. 268), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Ashcroft Amendment No. 3593, to eliminate funding for the National Endowment for the Arts and to transfer available funds for the operation of the National Park System. (By 76 yeas to 22 nays (Vote No. 269), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Pending:

Daschle Amendment No. 3581, to provide emergency assistance to agricultural producers. **Page 20258**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Wednesday, September 16, 1998. **Page 20316**

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—269) **Pages 20279, 20302**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, September 16, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 20317.)

Committee Meetings

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of James M. Bodner, of Virginia, to be Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, and Vice Adm. Dennis C. Blair, USN, for appointment to the grade of Admiral, and to be Commander-in-Chief of United States Pacific Command, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Robert Clarke Brown, of Ohio, John Paul Hammerschmidt, of Arkansas, and Norman Y. Mineta, of California, each to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, Eugene A. Conti, Jr., of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of Transportation for Transportation Policy, and Peter J. Basso, Jr., of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of Transportation for Budget and Programs, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Brown was introduced by Senator Warner and Representative Sherrod Brown, Mr. Hammerschmidt was introduced by Senators Warner and Hutchinson, Mr. Mineta was introduced by Senators Warner and Boxer, Mr. Conti was introduced by

Senator Sarbanes and Representative Price, and Mr. Basso was introduced by Senator Sarbanes.

COASTWISE TRADE LAWS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee held hearings on S. 2390, to permit ships built in foreign countries to engage in coastwise in the transport of certain products, receiving testimony from Clyde J. Hart, Jr., Administrator, Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation; Donald R. Quartel, Jones Act Reform Coalition, Dean Kleckner, American Farm Bureau Federation, Thomas A. Danjczek, Steel Manufacturers Association, and Cynthia L. Brown, American Shipbuilding Association, all of Washington, D.C.; William B. Saunders, Murphy Family Farms, Rose Hill, North Carolina; Donald T. Bollinger, Bollinger Shipyards, Inc., Lockport, Louisiana, on behalf of the National Shipyard Association; Thomas A. Allegrretti, American Waterways Operators, Arlington, Virginia; and James R. Barker, Interlake Steamship Company/Mormac Marine Group, Inc., Stamford, Connecticut, on behalf of the Maritime Cabotage Task Force.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

TREATIES

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the Extradition Treaty between the United States and the Argentine Republic, signed at Buenos Aires on June 10, 1997 (Treaty Doc. 105-18), Extradition Treaty between the United States and Barbados, signed at Bridgetown on February 28, 1996 (Treaty Doc. 105-20), Extradition Treaty between the United States and France, signed at Paris on April 23, 1996 (Treaty Doc. 105-13), Extradition Treaty between the United States and the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, signed at Washington on October 1, 1996 (Treaty Doc. 105-10), Extradition Treaty between the United States and the Republic of Poland, signed at Washington on July 10, 1996 (Treaty Doc. 105-14), Extradition Treaty between the United States and the Republic of Zimbabwe, signed at Harare on July 25, 1997 (Treaty Doc. 105-33), Extradition Treaty between the United States and the Republic of Austria, signed at Washington on January 8, 1998 (Treaty Doc. 105-50), Extradition Treaty between the United States and the Republic of Cyprus, signed at Washington on June 17, 1996 (Treaty Doc. 105-16), Extradition Treaty between the United States and the Republic of India, signed at Washington on June 25, 1997 (Treaty Doc. 105-30), Protocol to the Extradition Treaty between the United States and the United Mexican States of May 4, 1978, signed at Washington on November 13, 1997 (Treaty Doc. 105-46), Third Supplementary Extradition Treaty between the United States and the Kingdom of Spain, signed at Madrid on March 12, 1996 (Treaty Doc. 105-15), Extradition Treaty between the United States and Trinidad and Tobago, signed at Port of Spain on March 4, 1996 (Treaty Doc. 105-21), Extradition Treaty

between the United States and the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States (Treaty Doc. 105-19), Treaty between the United States and Australia on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters, signed at Washington on April 30, 1997 (Treaty Doc. 105-27), Treaty between the United States and the Federative Republic of Brazil on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters, signed at Brasilia on October 14, 1997 (Treaty Doc. 105-42), Agreement between the United States and Hong Kong on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters, with Annex, signed in Hong Kong on April 15, 1997 (Treaty Doc. 105-6), Treaty between the United States and the Republic of Latvia on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters, signed at Washington on June 13, 1997 (Treaty Doc. 105-34), Treaty between the United States and the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters, signed at Washington on March 13, 1997 (Treaty Doc. 105-11), Treaty between the United States and the Republic of Poland on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters, signed at Washington on July 10, 1996 (Treaty Doc. 105-12), Treaty between the United States and Barbados on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters, signed at Bridgetown on February 28, 1996 (Treaty Doc. 105-23), Treaty between the United States and the Czech Republic on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters, signed at Washington on February 4, 1998 (Treaty Doc. 105-47), Treaty between the United States and the State of Israel on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters, signed at Tel Aviv on January 26, 1998, and a related exchange of notes (Treaty Doc. 105-40), Treaty between the United States and the Republic of Lithuania on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters, signed at Washington on January 16, 1998 (Treaty Doc. 105-41), Treaty between the United States and the Republic of Venezuela on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters, signed at Caracas on October 12, 1997 (Treaty Doc. 105-38), Treaty between the United States and Trinidad and Tobago on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters, signed at Port of Spain on March 4, 1996 (Treaty Doc. 105-22), Treaty between the United States and Saint Kitts and Nevis on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters, signed at Basseterre on September 18, 1997, and a related exchange of notes (Treaty Doc. 105-37), Treaty between the United States and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters, and a related Protocol, signed at Kingstown on January 8, 1998 (Treaty Doc. 105-44), Treaties between the United States and the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 105-24), Treaty between the United States and the Republic of Estonia on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters, signed at Washington on April 2, 1998 (Treaty Doc. 105-52), and the Agreement between the United States and Hong Kong for the Transfer of Sentenced Persons signed at Hong Kong on April 15, 1997 (Treaty

Doc. 105-7), after receiving testimony from Jamison Selby-Borek, Deputy Legal Adviser, Department of State; and Mark M. Richard, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice.

RUSSIA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on European Affairs concluded hearings to examine policy options for the United States with regard to the current economic and political situation in Russia, after receiving testimony from Stephen Sestanovich, Special Adviser to the Secretary of State for the New Independent States; Richard Pipes and Marshall I. Goldman, both of Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts; and Thomas Graham, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Washington, D.C.

TELECOMMUNICATION CONSOLIDATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights, and Competition concluded hearings to examine the impact of consolidation within the telecommunications industry, focusing on the proposed merger between Bell Atlantic and GTE, after receiving testimony from William T. Esrey, Sprint Corporation, Westwood, Kansas; Gene Kimmelman, Consumers Union, Washington, D.C.; Charles R. Lee, GTE Corporation, Stamford, Connecticut; Clark E. McLeod, McLeodUSA, Incorporated, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; and Ivan G. Seidenberg, Bell Atlantic Corporation, New York, New York.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Small Business: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

H.R. 3412, to amend and make technical corrections in title III of the Small Business Investment Act, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

H.R. 3853, to encourage businesses to adopt drug-free workplace programs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 4566-4568, 4570-4576; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 536, 539, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2108, to dispose of certain Federal properties located in Dutch John, Utah, and to assist the local government in the interim delivery of basic services to the Dutch John community, amended (H. Rept. 105-714);

H.R. 1481, to amend the Great Lakes Fish and Wildlife Restoration Act of 1990 to provide for implementa-

tion of recommendations of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service contained in the Great Lakes Fishery Restoration Study Report, amended (H. Rept. 105-715);

H.R. 2812, to provide for the recognition of certain Native communities under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (H. Rept. 105-716);

H.R. 4079, to authorize the construction of temperature control devices at Folsom Dam in California (H. Rept. 105-717);

H.R. 3445, to establish the Commission on Ocean Policy, amended (H. Rept. 105-718 part 1);

H.R. 4569, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105-719);

H. Res. 537, providing for consideration of H.R. 4300, to support enhanced drug interdiction efforts in the major transit countries and support a comprehensive supply eradication and crop substitution program in source countries (H. Rept. 105-720); and

H. Res. 538, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4550) to provide for programs to facilitate a significant reduction in the incidence and prevalence of substance abuse through reducing the demand for illegal drugs and the inappropriate use of legal drugs (H. Rept. 105-721).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Miller of Florida to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 9:38 a.m. and reconvened at 10:00 a.m.

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Private Calendar: Agreed that the call of the Private Calendar be dispensed with today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 10:21 a.m. and reconvened at 10:36 a.m.

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Agriculture Appropriations: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 4101, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Skeen, Walsh, Dickey, Kingston, Nethercutt, Bonilla, Latham, Livingston, Kaptur, Fazio, Serrano, DeLauro, and Obey.

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Agreed to the Kaptur motion to instruct conferees to agree with the provisions of the Senate amendment which provide funding for agricultural disaster assistance and reserve inventories, including the designation of such funds as an emergency requirement under section 251(b)(2)(A) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, and with no offsetting reductions as provided in the Senate amendment (agreed to by a yeas and nay vote of 331 yeas to 66 nays, Roll No. 430).

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Defense Appropriations: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 4103, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Young of Florida, McDade, Lewis of California, Skeen, Hobson, Bonilla, Nethercutt, Istook, Cunningham, Livingston, Murtha, Dicks, Hefner, Sabo, Dixon, Visclosky, and Obey.

Pages 20333, 20410

Agreed to the Obey motion to instruct conferees to reduce, within the scope of the conference, the maximum amount possible from appropriations for low priority congressionally-directed projects not requested in the FY 1999 Defense Department budget request and apply those funds to alleviate high priority military readiness needs for spare parts, quality of life programs, training exercises, retention bonuses, and requirement incentives (agreed to by a yeas and nay vote of 348 yeas to 61 nays, Roll No. 431).

Pages 20333, 20408

Agreed to close portions of the conference when classified information is under consideration (agreed to by a yeas and nay vote of 405 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 432).

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Legislative Branch Appropriations: The House disagreed with the Senate amendment to H.R. 4112, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Walsh, Young of Florida, Cunningham, Wamp, Latham, Livingston, Serrano, Fazio, Hoyer, and Obey.

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Agreed to the Serrano motion to instruct conferees to bolster the Capitol police force by concurring in the Senate amendments that restore \$4.197 million of reductions passed by the House for Capitol Police salaries and Capitol Police general expenses.

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Transportation Appropriations: The House disagreed with the Senate amendment to H.R. 4328, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Wolf, DeLay, Regula, Rogers, Packard, Callahan, Tiahrt, Aderholt, Livingston, Sabo, Torres, Olver, Pastor, Cramer, and Obey.

Pages 20337, 20409

Agreed to the Sabo motion to instruct conferees to disagree to a provision in the Senate bill that amends the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act to allow helicopters unrestricted access to wilderness areas in Alaska (agreed to by a recorded vote of 249 yeas to 161 nays, Roll No. 433).

Pages 20337, 20409

VA, HUD Appropriations: The House disagreed with the Senate amendment to H.R. 4194, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and agreed

to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Lewis of California, DeLay, Walsh, Hobson, Knollenberg, Frelinghuysen, Neumann, Wicker, Livingston, Stokes, Molloy, Kaptur, Meek of Florida, Price of North Carolina, and Obey
Pages 20340, 20410

Agreed to the Obey motion to instruct conferees to insist on the House position providing a total of \$17,361,395,998 for the Department of Veterans' Affairs medical account (agreed to by a recorded vote of 405 ayes with none voting "no", Roll No. 434).
Pages 20340, 20410

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Speed Trafficking Life in Prison Act: H.R. 3898, amended, to amend the Controlled Substances Act and the Controlled Substances Import and Export Act to conform penalties for violations involving certain amounts of methamphetamine to penalties for violations involving similar amounts cocaine base;
Page 20342

Sense of Congress Regarding Marijuana: H.J. Res. 117, amended, expressing the sense of Congress that marijuana is a dangerous and addictive drug and should not be legalized for medicinal use (agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 310 yeas to 93 nays, Roll No. 435). Agreed to amend the title;
Pages 20345, 20411

National Center for Missing and Exploited Children: S. 2073, amended, to authorize appropriations for the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 280 yeas to 126 nays, Roll No. 436). Agreed to amend the title;
Pages 20353, 20412

Mammography Quality Standards Reauthorization Act: H.R. 4382, amended, to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend the program for mammography quality standards (agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 401 yeas with 1 voting "nay", Roll No. 437);
Pages 20372, 20412

Glacier Bay National Park Boundary Adjustment Act: H.R. 3903, amended, to provide for an exchange of lands located near Gustavus, Alaska;
Page 20377

Establishing the Commission on Ocean Policy: H.R. 3445, amended, to establish the Commission on Ocean Policy;
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Collection of Fees in National Park System: H.R. 2993, amended, to provide for the collection of fees for the making of motion pictures, television productions, and sound tracks in National Park System and National Wildlife Refuge System units;
Page 20385

Sale of Idaho School Land: H.R. 4166, to amend the Idaho Admission Act regarding the sale or lease of school land;
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Memorial Honoring Mahatma Gandhi in D.C.: H.R. 4284, to authorize the Government of India to establish

a memorial to honor Mahatma Gandhi in the District of Columbia;
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Irrigation Project Contract Extension Act: H.R. 2795, amended, to extend certain contracts between the Bureau of Reclamation and irrigation water contractors in Wyoming and Nebraska that receive water from Glendo Reservoir;
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Construction at Folsom Dam, California: H.R. 4079, amended, to authorize the construction of temperature control devices at Folsom Dam in California;
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Designating Freeman Hankins Post Office Building: H.R. 4002, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 5300 West Jefferson Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "Freeman Hankins Post Office Building";
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Designating Max Weiner Post Office Building: H.R. 4003, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 2037 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "Max Weiner Post Office Building";
Page 20400

Commending Pope John Paul II Visit to Cuba: H. Res. 362, amended, commending the visit of His Holiness Pope John Paul II to Cuba; and
Page 20401

Sense of Congress Regarding Extradition Treaty with Mexico: H. Res. 381, expressing the sense of the Congress that the President should renegotiate the extradition treaty with Mexico so that the possibility of capital punishment will not interfere with the timely extradition of criminal suspects from Mexico to the United States.
Page 20405

Congratulating Mark McGwire of the St. Louis Cardinals: Considered by unanimous consent, the House agreed to H. Res. 520, congratulating Mark McGwire of the St. Louis Cardinals for breaking the Major League Baseball single season home run record.
Page 20393

Congratulating Sammy Sosa of the Chicago Cubs: Considered by unanimous consent, the House agreed to H. Res. 536, congratulating Sammy Sosa of the Chicago Cubs for tying the current major league record for home runs in one season.
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Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 20432.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Six yeas and nays votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 20332, 20408, 20409, 20410, 20411, 20412, and 20413. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Committee Meetings

INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC TURMOIL

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Continued hearings on International Economic Turmoil. Testimony was heard from Thomas Kneir, Deputy Assistant Director, FBI, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

PORTALS INVESTIGATION

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations continued hearings on the circumstances surrounding the FCC's planned relocation to the Portals, including the efforts of Franklin L. Haney and his representatives with respect to this matter and the circumstances surrounding the payments of fees to those representatives. Testimony was heard from Peter Knight, Wunder, Knight, Levine and Forscey.

Hearings continue September 17.

DISARMING IRAQ: STATUS OF WEAPONS INSPECTIONS

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on Disarming Iraq: The Status of Weapons Inspections. Testimony was heard from Ambassador Martin Indyk, Assistant Secretary, Near Eastern Affairs, Department of State; and Scott Ritter, former Weapons Inspector for the United Nations Special Commission.

DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO IN CRISIS

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Africa held a hearing on Democratic Republic of Congo in Crisis. Testimony was heard from Susan E. Rice, Assistant Secretary, Africa, Department of State; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—FOREST ROADS MANAGEMENT AND OBLITERATION

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held an oversight hearing on Forest Roads Management and Obliteration. Testimony was heard from Robert Joslin, Deputy Chief, National Forest System, Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

WESTERN HEMISPHERE DRUG ELIMINATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified open rule providing 1 hour of debate to be equally divided between Rep. Hastert, or his designee, and a Member opposed to H.R. 4300, Western Hemisphere Drug Elimination Act. The rule provides for a 3 hour time limit on the amendment process. The rule makes in order as an original bill for the purpose of amendment the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the Congressional Record and numbered 1, and considers it as read. The rule waives clause 7 of rule XVI (prohibiting nongermane amendments) against the amendment in the

nature of a substitute. The rule permits the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendment in the Congressional Record and considers them as read. The rule allows the Chair to postpone recorded votes and reduce to five minutes the minimum time for electronic voting on any postponed votes, provided that the voting time on the first in a series of questions shall not be less than 15 minutes. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives McCollum, Hastert and Waters.

DRUG DEMAND REDUCTION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified open rule providing 1 hour of debate equally divided between Rep. Hastert, or his designee, and a Member opposed to H.R. 4550, Drug Demand Reduction Act of 1998. The rule provides for a 3 hour time limit on the amendment process. Prior to the consideration of any other amendment, the rule provides for the consideration of the amendment printed in the Rules Committee report, if offered by the Member designated in the report, shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question or to amendment and shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. The rule provides that, should that amendment be adopted, the bill, as amended, be considered as original text for the purpose of further amendment. The rule permits the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendment in the Congressional Record and considers them as read. The rule allows the Chair to postpone recorded votes and reduce to five minutes the minimum time for electronic voting on any postponed votes, provided that the voting time on the first in a series of questions shall not be less than 15 minutes. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Hastert, Portman and Ramstad.

METHANE HYDRATE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ACT

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing on S. 1418, Methane Hydrate Research and Development Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Robert Kripowicz, Acting Assistant Secretary, Fossil Energy, Department of Energy; William P. Dillon, Research Geologist, U.S. Geological Survey, Department of the Interior; and a public witness.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health approved for full Committee action the following: H.R. 4377, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to expand the membership of the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission to 17; H.R. 3511, to amend title XI of the Social Security to authorize the Secretary of Health

and Human Services to provide additional exceptions to the imposition of civil money penalties in cases of payments to beneficiaries; and, H.R. 4567, amended, Medicare Home Health Care Interim Payment System Refinement Act of 1998.

WELFARE, NONCITIZEN, AND UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Human Resources approved for full Committee action H.R. 4558, Welfare, Noncitizen, and Unemployment Insurance Technical Amendments Act of 1998.

INTERETHNIC ADOPTION AMENDMENTS IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing on the Implementation of the Interethnic Adoption Amendments. Testimony was heard from Olivia A. Golden, Assistant Secretary, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services; Mark V. Nadel, Associate Director, Income Security Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, GAO; former Senator Howard Metzenbaum of Ohio; and public witnesses.

Boxer Amendment No. 3594, to strike provisions delaying issuance of a notice of final rulemaking with respect to the valuation of crude oil for royalty purposes.

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During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 94 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 270), Senate agreed to a motion to instruct the Sergeant at Arms to request the attendance of absent Senators.

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Child Custody Protection Act: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1645, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit taking minors across State lines to avoid laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions.

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During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 97 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 271), Senate agreed to a motion to instruct the Sergeant at Arms to request the attendance of absent Senators.

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Motion to Adjourn: By 55 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 272), Senate agreed to a motion to adjourn.

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Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report of the Commodity Credit Corporation for fiscal year 1996; referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. (PM-157).

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

William J. Hibbler, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois.

Matthew F. Kennelly, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois.

3 Army nominations in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Coast Guard, Navy.

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Messages From the President:

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—272)

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Quorum Calls: Two quorum calls were taken today. (Total—4)

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Joint Meetings

HIGHER EDUCATION

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate-and House-passed versions of H.R. 6, to extend the authorization of programs under the Higher Education Act of 1965, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Twelve bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2477–2488, S. Res. 278, and S. Con. Res. 118.

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Interior Appropriations, 1999: Senate resumed consideration of S. 2237, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Pending:

Daschle Amendment No. 3581, to provide emergency assistance to agricultural producers.

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and, by 55 yeas to 43 nays, agreed to a motion to adjourn at 6:27 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, September 17, 1998.

Committee Meetings

TRANSPORTATION SAFETY

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine concluded hearings to examine the effects of fatigue on operators of trucks and rail equipment, and proposed legislation to establish a comprehensive, system-wide fatigue management plan on Class I and II freight railroads and carriers providing commuter or intercity passenger service by the year 2000, after receiving testimony from Jolene M. Molitoris, Administrator, Federal Railroad Administration, and George L. Reagle, Associate Administrator for Motor Carriers, Federal Highway Administration, both of the Department of Transportation; Vernon S. Ellingstad, Director, Office of Research and Engineering, National Transportation Safety Board; Daphne Izer, Parents Against Tired Truckers, Lisbon Falls, Maine; Mark R. Rosekind, Alertness Solutions, Cupertino, California; Susan M. Coughlin, ATA Foundation, Alexandria, Virginia; and Charles E. Dettmann, Association of American Railroads, Clarence V. Monin, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, on behalf of the Transportation Trades Department (AFL-CIO), and LaMont Byrd, International Brotherhood of Teamsters, all of Washington, D.C.

REFORMULATED GASOLINE

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded hearings to examine the use of methyl tertiary-butyl ether (MTBE) in gasoline and S. 1576, to amend the Clean Air Act to permit the exclusive application of California State regulations regarding reformulated gasoline in certain areas within the State, after receiving testimony from Senator Feinstein; Representative Bilbray; John D. Dunlap III, California Environmental Protection Agency Air Resources Board, Sacramento; Edward O. Sullivan, Maine Department of Environmental Protection, Augusta; Daniel S. Greenbaum, Health Effects Institute, Cambridge, Massachusetts; Al Jessel, Chevron Products Company, San Francisco, California; and Douglas A. Durante, Clean Fuels Development Coalition, Arlington, Virginia.

U.S. ANTI-DRUG INTERDICTION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Peace Corps, Narcotics and Terrorism concluded joint hearings with the United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control to examine United States anti-drug interdiction efforts and S. 2341, authorizing funds for fiscal years 1999 through 2001 to support enhanced drug interdiction efforts in the major transit countries and support a comprehensive supply eradication and crop substitution program in source countries, after

receiving testimony from Barry R. McCaffrey, Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy; Brian E. Sheridan, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Special Operations and Low-Intensity Conflict; Donnie R. Marshall, Acting Deputy Administrator, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice; William R. Brownfield, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs; Samuel H. Banks, Deputy Commissioner, United States Customs Service, Department of the Treasury; Adm. James M. Loy, Commandant, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation; Henry L. Hinton, Jr., Assistant Comptroller General, National Security and International Affairs Division, General Accounting Office; and Barry D. Crane and A. Rex Rivolo, both of the Institute for Defense Analyses, Washington, D.C.

RADIATION FALLOUT MANAGEMENT

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations concluded hearings to examine the National Cancer Institute's management of a scientific study which assessed the radiation effects of nuclear weapons tests, after receiving testimony from Senator Harkin; Barry L. Johnson, Assistant Surgeon General/Assistant Administrator, Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, William F. Raub, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Science Policy, and Richard D. Klausner, Director, and Bruce Wachholz, Chief, Radiation Effects Branch, both of the National Cancer Institute, all of the Department of Health and Human Services; and F. Owen Hoffman, SENES Oak Ridge, Inc., Oak Ridge, Tennessee, former Consultant, National Cancer Institute.

COMPUTER EXPORT CONTROL

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation, and Federal Services concluded hearings to examine a General Accounting Office report on the Administration's 1995 decision to revise United States export controls on high performance computers, after receiving testimony from Harold J. Johnson, Associate Director, International Relations and Trade Issues, National Security and International Affairs Division, General Accounting Office; and William Reinsch, Under Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration.

IMMIGRATION DETENTION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration concluded oversight hearings on the structure and management of the Immigration and Naturalization Service detention system and the implementation of the mandatory criminal alien detention provisions that were included in the Illegal Immigration Reform Act of 1996, after receiving testimony from Doris Meissner, Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice; Wendy A. Young, Washington, D.C., on behalf of the Women's Commission for Refugee Women and Children; Eleanor Acer, Lawyers Committee for

Human Rights, and Sam Waterston, both of New York, New York; Police Chief David Lon Walker, Marshalltown, Iowa; Fauziya Kassindja, Arlington, Virginia.

GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS REFORM

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee resumed hearings on S. 2288, to provide for the reform and continuing legislative oversight of the production, procurement, dissemination, and permanent public access of the Government's publications, receiving testimony from J. Michael Farren, Xerox Corporation, Washington, D.C., on behalf of the Information Technology Industry Council; Leonard Pomata, Litton/PRC, Inc., McLean, Virginia, representing the Professional Services Council; and William A. Gindlesperger, ABC Advisors, Inc., Chambersburg, Pennsylvania.

Also, committee held hearings to examine issues with regard to the proposed renovation of the Dirksen Senate Office Building and United States Capitol dome, receiving testimony from Alan M. Hantman, Architect of the Capitol.

Committee recessed subject to call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 1771, to provide for a final settlement of the claims of the Colorado Ute Indian Tribes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (As approved by the committee, the substitute amendment incorporated the text of S. 1899, to ratify a Water Rights Compact entered into by the Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy's Reservation and the State of Montana, as Title II of the bill.)

NOMINATION

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Montie R. Deer, of Kansas, to be Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission, Department of the Interior.

Prior to this action, the committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Mr. Deer, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 11 public bills, H.R. 4577–4587; 2 private bills, H.R. 4588–4589; and 3 resolutions, H.J. Res. 128–129 and H. Res. 540, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Report on Revised Suballocation of Budget totals for Fiscal Year 1999 (H. Rept. 105–722);

H.R. 3381, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to exchange land and other assets with Big Sky Lumber Co., amended (H. Rept. 105–723 Part 1);

H. Res. 541, providing for consideration of H.J. Res. 128, making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1999 (H. Rept. 105–724);

H. Res. 542, providing for consideration of H.R. 4569, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–725); and

H. Res. 543, providing for consideration of H.R. 3248, to provide dollars to the classroom (H. Rept. 105–726).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Upton to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Treasury, Postal Appropriations: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 4104, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Kolbe, Wolf, Istook, Northup, Aderholt, Livingston, McDade, Hoyer, Meek of Florida, Price of North Carolina, and Obey.

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Agreed to the Hoyer motion to instruct conferees to insist on the Senate position providing \$3,250,000,000 for emergency expenses relating to Year 2000 conversion of Federal information technology systems.

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Western Hemisphere Drug Elimination Act: The House passed H.R. 4300, to support enhanced drug interdiction efforts in the major transit countries and support a comprehensive supply eradication and crop substitution program in source countries, by a recorded vote of 384 ayes to 39 noes, Roll No. 442.

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Agreed To:

The Hastert amendment numbered 2 printed in the Congressional Record that requires the Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy to develop a 10-year master plan for the use of mycoherbicides to control narcotic crops;

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The Shaw amendment numbered 6 printed in the Congressional Record that allows a State, county, port authority or other local jurisdiction to conduct criminal background checks on employees or applicants for employment;

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The McCollum amendment numbered 4 printed in the Congressional Record that expresses the sense of Congress that the Secretary of Defense and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff should revise the priority for counter drug activity, making it second only to war-fighting (agreed to by a recorded vote of 362 ayes to 61 noes, Roll No. 438);

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The Traficant amendment that specifies that the Secretary of Defense shall assist in keeping illegal drugs out of the U.S. by assigning members of the Armed Forces to assist the Immigration and Naturalization Service and the Customs Service (agreed to by a recorded vote of 291 ayes to 133 noes, Roll No. 440); **Pages 20536, 20557**

Rejected:

The Reyes amendment, as modified, to the Traficant amendment that sought to clarify that nothing shall be construed as authorizing the deployment of the Armed Forces in contravention of United States law (rejected by a recorded vote of 167 ayes to 256 noes, Roll No. 439); **Pages 20539, 20557**

The Waters amendment that sought to strike sections providing additional eradication resources for Colombia and Mexico, and to strike the sense of Congress provision to accord U.S. law enforcement personnel serving in Mexico and Mexican law enforcement personnel serving in the United States the same status as their respective diplomatic and consular personnel (rejected by a recorded vote of 67 ayes to 354 noes, Roll No. 441).

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H. Res. 537, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by voice vote. **Page 20517**

Drug Demand Reduction Act: The House passed H.R. 4550, to provide for programs to facilitate a significant reduction in the incidence and prevalence of substance abuse through reducing the demand for illegal drugs and the inappropriate use of legal drugs, by a recorded vote of 396 ayes to 9 noes, Roll No. 444. **Page 20565**

Agreed To:

The Portman amendment that clarifies that Employee Assistance Programs may offer treatment; specifies that the program for drug free teenage drivers does not place a mandate on the States and authorizes appropriations; requires a study regarding the development of anti-addiction drugs; and specifies a quorum for Commission on the Role of Medical Education in Reducing Substance Abuse. **Page 20572**

The Ros-Lehtinen amendment that increases the drug-free parents empowerment grant amount from \$20,000 to \$50,000; **Page 20578**

The Barrett of Wisconsin amendment that specifies that any drug-free workplace demonstration program shall include employee drug testing by a drug testing laboratory certified by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration or the College of American Pathologists, and each positive test result shall be reviewed by a Licensed Medical Review Officer; **Page 20578**

The Souder amendment that specifies that quality rating, criteria, quality program designation, and public notification decisions are the responsibility of each State; and **Page 20579**

The Portman amendment that specifies that members of the Commission on Role of Medical Education in Reducing Substance Abuse shall include representatives of

the American Psychiatric Association, American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, and American Academy of Addiction Psychiatry, and establishes a quorum of 7 members. **Page 20589**

Rejected:

The Taylor of Mississippi amendment that requires that each individual appointed to an employment position with the Federal Government after enactment shall be subject to random, unannounced drug testing (rejected by a recorded vote of 123 ayes to 281 noes, Roll No. 443); **Pages 20580, 20589**

Point of Order sustained against:

The Latham amendment numbered 1 printed in the Congressional Record that specifies that any person who manufactures or distributes a controlled substance shall be liable in a civil action to any party harmed, directly or indirectly, by the use of that controlled substance. **Page 20587**

Withdrawn:

The Ramstad amendment numbered 2 printed in the Congressional Record that sought to require parity in the application of treatment limitations and financial requirements to substance abuse treatment benefits with those for medical and surgical benefits; and **Page 20583**

The Kennedy of Massachusetts amendment that includes alcohol abuse in the national media campaign by the Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy for the purpose of reducing and preventing alcohol abuse among young people. **Page 20585**

The Clerk was authorized in the engrossment of the bill to make technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House. **Page 20592**

H. Res. 538, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a voice vote. **Page 20560**

Securities Litigation Uniform Standards Act: The House insisted on its amendment to S. 1260, to amend the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to limit the conduct of securities class actions under State law, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Bliley, Oxley, Tauzin, Cox, White, Dingell, Stupak, and Eshoo. **Page 20591**

Presidential Message—Commodity Credit Corporation: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted his annual report of the Commodity Credit Corporation for FY 1996—referred to the Committee on Agriculture. **Page 20592**

Committee Election: Agreed to H. Res. 540, electing Representative Sherman to the Committee on Science. **Page 20592**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 20619

Quorum Calls—Votes: Seven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on

pages 20556, 20557, 20558, 20559, 20589, and 20590. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

Committee Meetings

INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC TURMOIL

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Concluded hearings on International Economic Turmoil. Testimony was heard from Robert E. Rubin, Secretary of the Treasury; and Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System.

REAL ESTATE SETTLEMENT PROCEDURES ACT, THE TRUTH IN LENDING ACT AND REFORMS TO MORTGAGE LENDING DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit and the Subcommittee on Housing and Community Development held a joint hearing on the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act and the Truth in Lending Act, and reforms to mortgage lending disclosure requirements. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

EDUCATION AND TECHNOLOGY INITIATIVES

Committee on Commerce, and the Committee on Education and the Workforce: Held a joint hearing on Education and Technology Initiatives. Testimony was heard from Linda Roberts, Director, Office of Education Technology and Special Advisor to the Secretary on Technology, Department of Education; Carlotta C. Joyner, Director, Education and Employment Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

INTERNATIONAL ANTI-BRIBERY AND FAIR COMPETITION ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 4353, International Anti-Bribery and Fair Competition Act of 1998.

KYOTO PROTOCOL

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs continued hearings on "The Kyoto Protocol: Is the Clinton-Gore Administration Selling Out Americans? Part VI" Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

DEVELOPING WORLD-SPREAD OF AIDS

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on the Spread of AIDS in the Developing World. Testimony was heard from Anthony Fauci, M.D., Director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, Department of Health and Human Services; Col. Deborah Birs, M.D., USA, Director, U.S. Military HIV Research Program, Walter Reed Hospital; Paul DeLay, M.D., Chief, HIV/AIDS Division, AID, U.S. International Development Cooperation Agency; and public witnesses.

U.S. POLICY ON IRAQ

Committee on National Security: Held a hearing on the U.S. policy on Iraq. Testimony was heard from William Scott Ritter, Jr., former Chief Weapons Inspector, United Nations Special Commission on Iraq; Paul Wolfowitz, former Under Secretary, Policy, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 1608, to authorize the Pyramid of Remembrance Foundation to establish a memorial in the District of Columbia or its environs to soldiers who have died in foreign conflicts other than declared wars; H.R. 3088, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, regarding Huna Totem Corporation public interest land exchange; and H.R. 4223, Colusa Basin Watershed Integrated Resources Management Act.

DOLLARS TO THE CLASSROOM ACT

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by voice vote, a structured rule on H.R. 3248, Dollars to the Classroom Act, providing one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce. The rule makes in order the Committee on Education and the Workforce amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill as an original bill for amendment purposes, which shall be considered as read. The rule waives clause 7 of rule XVI (prohibiting non-germane amendments) against the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying this resolution. The rule provides that the amendments made in order shall be considered only in the order specified, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, and shall not be subject to amendment. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides for one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Goodling, Pitts, Martinez, Mink, and Abercrombie.

FOREIGN OPERATIONS, EXPORT FINANCING AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by voice vote, a modified open rule on H.R. 4569, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, providing one hour of general debate equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives clause

1(b) of rule X (requiring a detailed explanation in the report on any rescissions or transfers of unexpected balances), clause 2(l)(6) of rule XI (relating to the three day availability of the report), and clause 7 of rule XXI (relating to the three day availability of printed hearings) against consideration of the bill. The rule provides for a five hour time limit on the amendment process and that the bill shall be considered as read through page 141, line 18. The rule waives clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill) and clause 6 of rule XXI (prohibiting reappropriations in an appropriations bill) against provisions in the bill. The rule makes in order only: pro forma amendments for the purpose of debate; amendments preprinted in the Congressional Record; and amendments printed in the report of the Committee on Rules. The rule provides that each of the amendments printed in the report accompanying this resolution may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, may be offered only at the appropriate point in the reading of the bill, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report of the Committee on Rules. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides for one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Callahan, Wolf, Tiahrt, Gilman, Bereuter, Smith of New Jersey, Weldon of Pennsylvania, Royce, Bob Schaffer of Colorado, Pelosi, Hamilton, Pallone, McKinney, McGovern, and Sherman.

CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS FOR FY 1999

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by voice vote, a closed rule on H.J. Res. 128, Making Continuing Appropriations for FY 1999, providing that the joint resolution be considered as read for amendment. The rule provides one hour of debate in the House equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule provides one motion to recommit.

FARM AND RANCH RISK MANAGEMENT ACT

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing on H.R. 3659, Farm and Ranch Risk Management Act. Testimony was heard from Senator Grassley; Representatives Thurman and Hulshof; and public witnesses.

SMALL BUSINESSES—PENSION REFORM

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Tax, Finance, and Exports held a hearing on pension reform for

small businesses. Testimony was heard from Representatives Blunt and Bentsen; and public witnesses.

BRIEFING—UPDATE ON NORTH KOREAN TAEPO DONG MISSILE LAUNCH

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a briefing on Update on North Korean Taepo Dong Missile Launch. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Eight bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2489–2496, and S. Res. 279 and 280. Page 20711

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2107, to enhance electronic commerce by promoting the reliability and integrity of commercial transactions through establishing authentication standards for electronic communications, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–335)

H.R. 3303, to authorize appropriations for the Department of Justice for fiscal years 1999, 2000, and 2001; to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1999 and 2000 to carry out certain programs administered by the Department of Justice; to amend title 28 of the United States Code with respect to the use of funds available to the Department of Justice, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

H.R. 3494, to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to violent sex crimes against children, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. Res. 256, to refer S. 2274 entitled "A bill for the relief of Richard M. Barlow of Santa Fe, New Mexico" to the chief judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a report thereon.

S. 1637, to expedite State review of criminal records of applicants for bail enforcement officer employment, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1727, authorize the comprehensive independent study of the effects on trademark and intellectual property rights holders of adding new a generic top-level domains and related dispute resolution procedures, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2392, to encourage the disclosure and exchange of information about computer processing problems and related matters in connection with the transition to the Year 2000, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Page 20710

Measures Passed:

Continuing Appropriations: Senate passed H.J. Res. 128, making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1999, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 20692**

Puerto Rico/U.S. Citizens: Senate agreed to S. Res. 279, expressing the sense of the Senate supporting the right of the United States citizens in Puerto Rico to express their desires regarding their future political status. **Page 20694**

Indian Health Service Organization: Senate passed S. 1770, to elevate the position of Director of the Indian Health Service within the Department of Health and Human Services to Assistant Secretary for Indian Health, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 20736**

Four Corners Monument Tribal Park: Senate passed S. 1998, to authorize an interpretive center and related visitor facilities within the Four Corners Monument Tribal Park. **Page 20738**

Trademark Law Treaty: Senate passed S. 2193, to implement the provisions of the Trademark Law Treaty, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 20739**

Santorum (for Hatch/Leahy) Amendment No. 3601, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 20739**

Printing Senate Document: Senate agreed to S. Res. 280, directing the printing as a Senate document of a compilation of material entitled "History of the U.S. Senate Agriculture Committee". **Page 20740**

U.S. Policy/Tibet: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 103, expressing the sense of the Congress in support of the recommendations of the International Commission of Jurists on Tibet and on United States policy with regard to Tibet, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 20740**

WIPO Copyright Treaties Implementation Act: Senate passed H.R. 2281, to amend title 17, United States Code, to implement the WIPO Copyright Treaty and the WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 2037, as passed by the Senate. **Page 20741**

Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Hatch, Thurmond, and Leahy. **Page 20741**

Subsequently, passage of S. 2037 was vitiated and the bill was indefinitely postponed. **Page 20741**

Child Nutrition and WIC Reauthorizations: Senate passed H.R. 3874, to amend the National School Lunch Act and the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 to provide children with increased access to food and nutrition assistance, to simplify program operations and improve pro-

gram management, and to extend certain authorities contained in those Acts through fiscal year 2003, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 2286, Senate companion measure. **Page 20741**

Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Lugar, Cochran, McConnell, Harkin, and Leahy. **Page 20743**

Subsequently, S. 2286 was returned to the Senate Calendar. **Page 20743**

Consumer Bankruptcy Reform Act: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1301, to amend title 11, United States Code, to provide for consumer bankruptcy protection, with a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 20643, 20650, 20701**

Adopted:

Grassley/Durbin Amendment No. 3595 (to Amendment No. 3559), relating to credit card disclaimers, reaffirmation agreements, and miscellaneous bankruptcy changes. **Pages 20643, 20702**

Subsequently, the amendment was modified by unanimous-consent. **Page 20702**

Reed Amendment No. 3596 (to Amendment No. 3559), to prohibit creditors from terminating or refusing to renew an extension of credit because the consumer did not incur finance charges. (By 47 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 273), Senate earlier failed to table the amendment.) **Pages 20646, 20650**

By a unanimous vote of 89 yeas (Vote No. 276), Hatch Amendment No. 3600 (to Amendment No. 3559), to provide for protection of retirement savings. **Page 20701**

Rejected:

D'Amato Amendment No. 3597 (to Amendment No. 3559), to limit fees charged by financial institutions for the use of automatic teller machines. (By 72 yeas to 26 nays (Vote No. 275), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages 20651, 20664**

Dodd Amendment No. 3598 (to Amendment No. 3559), to amend the Truth in Lending Act with respect to extensions of credit to consumers under the age of 21. (By 58 yeas to 40 nays (Vote No. 274), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Page 20657**

Pending:

Lott (for Grassley/Hatch) Amendment No. 3559, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages 20643, 20646, 20651**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and an amendment to be proposed thereto, on Tuesday, September 22, 1998. **Page 20646**

Partial-Birth Abortion Ban—Veto Message: Senate began consideration of the veto message accompanying H.R. 1122, to amend title 18, United States Code, to ban partial-birth abortions. **Pages 20665, 20702**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the veto message on Friday, September 18, 1998, with a vote on the question, "Shall the bill pass, the objections of the President to the contrary notwithstanding", to occur thereon at 9:30 a.m.

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Child Custody Protection Act: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for consideration of S. 1645, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit taking minors across State lines to avoid laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions, on Friday, September 18, 1998.

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Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report concerning the national emergency with respect to Iran; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM-158).

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Messages From the President:

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—276)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 10:21 p.m., until 8:30 a.m., on Friday, September 18, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 20750.)

Committee Meetings

SATELLITE TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee held hearings to examine United States policy regarding the transfer of satellite and missile technology to China, focusing on United States space infrastructure, receiving testimony from Representative Weldon; John D. Holum, Acting Under Secretary of State for International Security Affairs; Franklin C. Miller, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Strategy and Threat Reduction; William A. Reinsch, Under Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration; Katherine V. Schinasi, Associate Director, Defense Acquisitions Issues, National Security and International Affairs Division, General Accounting Office; and Paul Wolfowitz, Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies/Johns Hopkins

University, Paul Freedenberg, Baker & Botts, and Henry Sokolski, Nonproliferation Policy Education Center, all of Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Gregory H. Friedman, of Colorado, to be Inspector General, and T. J. Glauthier, of California, to be Deputy Secretary, both of the Department of Energy, and Charles G. Groat, of Texas, to be Director of the United States Geological Survey, Department of the Interior, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Groat was introduced by Senator Breaux.

PARKS/HISTORIC SITES/RECREATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation and Recreation concluded hearings on S. 1175, to reauthorize the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area Citizen Advisory Commission for 10 additional years, S. 1641, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to study alternatives for establishing a national historic trail to commemorate and interpret the history of women's rights in the United States, S. 1960, to allow the National Park Service to acquire certain land for addition to the Wilderness Battlefield, as previously authorized by law, by purchase or exchange as well as by donation, S. 2086, to revise the boundaries of the George Washington Birthplace National Monument, S. 2133, to designate former United States Route 66 as "America's Main Street" and authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance, S. 2239, to revise the boundary of Fort Matanzas National Monument, S. 2240, to establish the Adams National Historical Park in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, S. 2241, to provide for the acquisition of lands formerly occupied by the Franklin D. Roosevelt family at Hyde Park, New York, and for other purposes, S. 2246, to amend the Act which established the Frederick Law Olmsted National Historic Site, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, by modifying the boundary, S. 2247, to permit the payment of medical expenses incurred by the U.S. Park Police in the performance of duty to be made directly by the National Park Service, S. 2248, to allow for waiver and indemnification in mutual law enforcement agreements between the National Park Service and a state or political subdivision, when required by state law, S. 2285, to establish a commission, in honor of the 150th Anniversary of the Seneca Falls Convention, to further protect sites of importance in the historic efforts to secure equal rights for women, S. 2297, to provide for the distribution of certain publications in units of the National Park System under a sales agreement between the Secretary of the Interior and a private contractor, S. 2309, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into an agreement for the construction and operation of

the Gateway Visitor Center at Independence National Historical Park, S. 2401, to authorize the addition of the Paoli Battlefield site in Malvern, Pennsylvania, to Valley Forge National Historical Park, H.R. 2411, to provide for a land exchange involving the Cape Cod National Seashore and to extend the authority for the Cape Cod National Seashore Advisory Commission, after receiving testimony from Destry Jarvis, Assistant Director, External Affairs, National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

FEDERAL BUILDINGS POLICY

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded hearings on the proposed General Services Administration's Capital Investment and Leasing Program request for fiscal year 1999, the proposed Judicial Conference of the United States courthouse construction request for fiscal year 1999, and S. 2481, to improve the process of constructing, altering, and acquiring public buildings, after receiving testimony from Robert A. Peck, Commissioner, Public Buildings Service, General Services Administration; Judge Norman H. Stahl, United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit, on behalf of the Judicial Conference of the United States; A. Peter Burleigh, Acting United States Representative to the United Nations, on behalf of the United States Mission to the United Nations; Judge Michael A. Ponsor, United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts; and Judge B. Avant Edenfield, United States District Court for the Southern District of Georgia.

STATE DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations concluded joint hearings with the Committee on the Budget's International Affairs Task Force to examine management and budget operations of the Department of State, after receiving testimony from Bonnie R. Cohen, Under Secretary for Management, David G. Carpenter, Assistant Secretary for Diplomatic Security, and Patrick Kennedy, Assistant Secretary for Administration, all of the Department of State; Benjamin F. Nelson, Director, International Relations and Trade Issues, National Security and International Affairs Division, General Accounting Office; and Nicholas A. Rey, former United States Ambassador to the Republic of Poland.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Kenneth Prewitt, of New York, to be Director of the Census, Department of Commerce, and Robert M. Walker, of Tennessee, to be Deputy Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Prewitt was introduced by Senator Moynihan, and Mr. Walker was introduced by Senator Byrd.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nominations of Robert Bruce King, of West Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, William B. Traxler, Jr., of South Carolina, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, Richard M. Berman, Alvin K. Hellerstein, Colleen McMahon, and William H. Pauley, III, each to be a United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, H. Dean Buttram, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama, Donovan W. Frank, to be United States District Judge for the District of Minnesota, Inge Prytz Johnson, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama, Thomas J. Whelan, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California, Robert Bruce Green, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Oklahoma, Scott Richard Lassar, to be United States attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, and James A. Tassone, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of Florida;

H.R. 3303, to authorize funds for the Department of Justice, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2392, to encourage the disclosure and exchange of information about computer processing problems and related matters in connection with the transition to the Year 2000, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1727, to authorize the comprehensive independent study of the effects on trademark and intellectual property rights holders of adding new generic top-level domains and related dispute resolution procedures, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1637, to expedite State review of criminal records of applicants for bail enforcement officer employment, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 3494, to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to violent sex crimes against children, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. Res. 256, to refer S. 2274 entitled "A bill for the relief of Richard M. Barlow of Santa Fe, New Mexico" to the chief judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a report thereon.

ADVANCES IN TEACHING

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee concluded hearings to examine the extent of learning disabilities and implications for developing and enhancing teacher training opportunities, after receiving testimony from M. Susan Burns, Study Director, Committee on the Prevention of Reading Difficulties in Young Children, National Research Council/National Academy of Sciences; MacLean Gander, Landmark College, Putney, Vermont; Sally L. Smith, Lab School of Washington, Washington, D.C.; and Kettner Grizwold, Kensington, Maryland.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: On Wednesday, September 16, committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee will meet again on Wednesday, September 23.

YEAR 2000 READINESS: PENSIONS AND MUTUAL FUNDS

Special Committee on the Year 2000 Technology Problem: Committee concluded hearings to examine the Year 2000 readiness of the securities industry, focusing on pensions and mutual funds, after receiving testimony from Laura S. Unger, Commissioner, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission; Alan D. Lebowitz, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Labor for Program Operations/Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration; Matthew P. Fink, Investment Company Institute, Washington, D.C.; Donald Kittell, Securities Industry Association, and James A. Wolf, Corporate Management Information Systems, on behalf of the Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association and College Retirement Equities Fund, both of New York, New York; Eugene F. Maloney, Federated Investors, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Vincent P. Brown, California Public Employees' Retirement System, Sacramento; Bert E. McConnell, Fidelity Investments, and John R. Towers, State Street Corporation, both of Boston, Massachusetts; Thomas M. Rowland, Capital Group Companies, Inc., Los Angeles, California; and Michael A. Waterford, DST Systems, Inc., Kansas City, Missouri.

Continuing Resolution: The House passed H.J. Res. 128, making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1999, by a yeas and nays vote of 421 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 445. **Page 20761**

H. Res. 541, the rule that provided for consideration of the joint resolution, was agreed to earlier by voice vote. **Page 20760**

Foreign Operations Appropriations: The House passed H.R. 4569, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, by a yeas and nays vote of 255 yeas to 161 nays, Roll No. 449. **Page 20776**

Agreed To:

The Wolf amendment, numbered 5 and printed in H. Rept. 105-725, that establishes a National Commission on Terrorism to examine national counter-terrorism policies and recommend ways to be more effective in protecting Americans; **Page 20809**

The Porter amendment, numbered 32 and printed in the Congressional Record, that strikes section 579 which repeals section 907 of the FREEDOM Support Act prohibiting direct U.S. government assistance to Azerbaijan (agreed to by a recorded vote of 231 yeas to 182 nays, Roll No. 447); **Page 20818**

The Tiahrt amendment, numbered 1 and printed in H. Rept. 105-725, that specifies the definition of "voluntary family planning project" and establishes criteria for the voluntary family planning projects supported by U.S. financial aid; **Pages 20834, 20845**

The Livingston amendment, numbered 4 and printed in House Report 105-725, that deletes the contingency funding authority in section 451 of the Foreign Assistance Act and reduces by \$15 million the authority of section 614 of the Foreign Assistance Act; **Page 20837**

Rejected:

The Kennedy of Massachusetts substitute amendment to the Torres amendment that eliminates funding for the School of the Americas (rejected by a recorded vote of 201 yeas to 212 nays), Roll No. 448; and **Page 20841**

The Torres amendment, numbered 17 and printed in the Congressional Record, that decreases funding for the Economic Support Fund by \$14 million and decreases International Military Education and Training by \$1.4 million. **Page 20838**

Points of Order sustained against:

The Pelosi amendment, numbered 28 and printed in the Congressional Record, that increases the U.S. quota in the International Monetary Fund, the dollar equivalent of 10,622,500,000 Special Drawing Rights, to remain available until expended; and **Page 20810**

The Torres amendment, numbered 19 and printed in the Congressional Record, that prohibits any funding to be used for programs at the United States Army School of the Americas located at Fort Benning, Georgia. **Page 20834**

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 7 public bills, H.R. 4590-4596, were introduced. **Page 20869**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 4017, to extend certain programs under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act and the Energy Conservation and Production Act, amended (H. Rept. 105-727);

Report on the Refusal of Attorney General Janet Reno to Produce Documents Subpoenaed by the Government Reform and Oversight Committee (H. Rept. 105-728); and

H. Res. 544, providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules (H. Rept. 105-729). **Page 20869**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Thomas Pappalas of Reading, Pennsylvania. **Page 20755**

H. Res. 542, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 229 yeas to 188 nays, Roll No. 446. **Page 20767**

Dollars to the Classroom Act: The House agreed to H. Res. 543, the rule that is providing for consideration of H.R. 3248, to provide dollars to the classroom by a voice vote. **Page 20847**

Presidential Message—National Emergency Re Iran: Read a message from the President wherein he submitted his report to Congress on developments concerning the national emergency with respect to Iran—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–312). **Page 20851**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 20869.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yeas and nays votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 20766, 20775, 20833, 20845, and 20846. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

Committee Meetings

YEAR 2000 PREPARATIONS

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Held a hearing on Preparing for the Year 2000: Financial Institutions, Customers, Telecommunications, and Power. Testimony was heard from Edward W. Kelley, Jr., member, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Julie Williams, Acting Comptroller; and Ellen Seidman, Director, Office of Thrift Supervision; Donna Tanoue, Chairman, FDIC; Norman D'Amours, Chairman, National Credit Union Administration; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power approved for full Committee action the following bills; H.R. 3610, amended, National Oilheat Research Alliance Act of 1998; and H.R. 4081, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Arkansas.

PORTALS INVESTIGATION

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations continued hearings on the circumstances surrounding the FCC's planned relocation to the Portals, including the efforts of Franklin L. Haney and his representatives with respect to this matter and the circumstances surrounding the payments of fees to those representatives. Testimony was heard from current or former employees of the following law firms: Wunder,

Diefenderfer, Cannon and Thelen or Wunder, Knight, Levine, Thelen and Forsey.

CHILD ONLINE PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3783, Child Online Protection Act.

YEAR 2000 PROBLEM—LABOR AND EDUCATION DEPARTMENTS

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on the Review of the Management of the Year 2000 Problem by the Department of Labor and the Department of Education. Testimony was heard from Marshal Smith, Deputy Secretary, Department of Education; the following officials of the Department of Labor: James E. McMullen, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Administration and Management; and Patricia A. Dalton, Deputy Inspector General; Joel Willemssen, Director, Information Resources Management, Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO; and public witnesses.

2000 CENSUS OVERSIGHT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Census held a hearing on "Oversight of the 2000 Census: Serious Problems with Statistical Adjustment Remain". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

NATIONAL ID CARD

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing on "A National ID Card: Big Government at its Worst or Technological Efficiency?" Testimony was heard from Brian Flaherty, member, House of Representatives, State of Connecticut; Richard D. Holcomb, Commissioner, Department of Motor Vehicles, State of Virginia; and public witnesses.

U.S. AND RUSSIA; RUSSIA IN CRISIS

Committee on International Relations: Concluded hearings on the United States and Russia, Part II: Russia in Crisis. Testimony was heard from Lawrence Summers, Deputy Secretary, Department of the Treasury; Strobe Talbott, Deputy Secretary, Department of State; George P. Shultz, former Secretary of State; and public witnesses.

INDEPENDENT COUNSEL COMMUNICATION—RELEASE OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS, RECORDS, AND MATERIALS

Committee on the Judiciary: Met in executive session to begin consideration of the release of certain documents, records, and materials received by the Committee from the Independent Counsel on September 9, 1998.

Will continue tomorrow.

NO SECOND CHANCES FOR MURDERERS, RAPISTS, OR CHILD MOLESTERS ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime held a hearing on H.R. 4258, No Second Chances for Murderers, Rapists, or Child Molesters Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Representative Salmon; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans approved for full Committee action H.R. 4337, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide financial assistance to the State of Maryland for a pilot program to develop measures to eradicate or control nutria and restore marshland damaged by nutria.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2304, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make technical corrections to a map relating to the Coastal Barrier Resources System; and H.R. 4248, Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp Promotion Act; and H.R. 4517, Neotropical Migratory Bird Habitat Enhancement Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Cunningham; Daniel M. Ashe, Assistant Director, Refuges and Wildlife, U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—FOREST SERVICE

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held an oversight hearing on Forest Service—Backcountry Airstrip Management. Testimony was heard from David Alexander, Supervisor, Payette National Forest, Forest Service, USDA; Bart Welsh, Administrator, Division of Aeronautics, State of Idaho; and public witnesses.

STANDING RULES OF THE HOUSE—AMENDMENT PROPOSALS

Committee on Rules: Held a hearing on proposals to amend the standing rules of the House. Testimony was heard from Chairman Solomon; Representatives Shaw, Morella, Paul, Davis of Virginia, Hostettler, Tiahrt, Danner, Norton, Menendez and Weygand.

SUSPENSION OF THE RULES

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule providing that suspensions will be in order on Wednesday, September 23, 1998. Any matter to be considered under suspension will be announced from the House floor at least two hours prior to consideration. The rule provides that the Speaker or his designee will consult with the Minority Leader or his designee on any suspension considered under this resolution.

OVERSIGHT—INDUSTRIAL BIOTECHNOLOGY

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Technology held an oversight hearing on Industrial Biotechnology: A Solution

for the Future? Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

RAILROAD RETIREMENT TIER II BENEFITS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Railroads held a hearing on H. Con. Res. 52, urging that the railroad industry, including rail labor, management and retiree organizations, open discussions for adequately funding an amendment to the Railroad Retirement Act of 1974 to modify the guaranteed minimum benefit for widows and widowers whose annuities are converted from a spouse to a widow or widower annuity. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Railroad Retirement Board: Jerome F. Kever, Management Member; David Lucci, Counsel to the Labor Member; and Cherryl T. Thomas, Chair; and public witnesses.

ESTABLISH PROTECT SOCIAL SECURITY ACCOUNT; TAXPAYER RELIEF ACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 4578, to amend the Social Security Act to establish the Protect Social Security Account into which the Secretary of the Treasury shall deposit budget surpluses until a reform measure is enacted to ensure the long-term solvency of the OASDI trust funds; and H.R. 4579, Taxpayer Relief Act of 1998.

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Senate**Chamber Action**

Routine Proceedings, page 20883–20957

Measures Introduced: Five bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2497–2501. **Page 20920**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 10, to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, and other financial service providers, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–336)

H.R. 2493, to establish a mechanism by which the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior can provide for uniform management of livestock grazing on Federal lands. **Page 20920**

Partial-Birth Abortion Ban—Veto Message: By 64 yeas to 36 nays (Vote No. 277), two-thirds of the Senators voting not having voted in the affirmative, H.R. 1122, to amend title 18, United States Code, to ban partial-birth abortions, upon reconsideration, was rejected, and the veto of the President was sustained. **Page 20883**

Child Custody Protection Act: Senate began consideration of S. 1645, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit taking minors across State lines to avoid laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions, with a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 20896**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the committee substitute amendment and, by unanimous-consent agreement, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Tuesday, September 22, 1998, at 4:30 p.m. **Page 20897**

Consumer Bankruptcy Reform Act: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1301, to amend title 11, United States Code, to provide for consumer bankruptcy protection, with a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Page 20900**

Pending:

Lott (for Grassley/Hatch) Amendment No. 3559, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 20900**

Feingold/Specter Amendment No. 3602 (to Amendment No. 3559), to ensure payment of trustees' costs under chapter 7 of title 11, United States Code, of abuse motions, without encouraging conflicts of interest between attorneys and clients. **Page 20900**

Feingold/Specter Amendment No. 3565 (to Amendment No. 3559), to provide for a waiver of filing fees in certain bankruptcy cases. **Page 20904**

Senate will resume consideration of the bill on Monday, September 21, 1998.

Head Start/Low-Income Energy Assistance/Community Services Block Grant—Authorizations: Senate disagreed to the amendment of the House to S. 2206, to amend the Head Start Act, the Low-Income Energy Assistance Act of 1981, and the Community Services Block Grant Act to reauthorize and make improvements to those Acts, and to establish demonstration projects that provide an opportunity for persons with limited means to accumulate assets, requested a conference with the House, and the Chair appointed conferees on the part of the Senate, as follows: Senators Jeffords, Coats, Gregg, Kennedy, and Dodd. **Page 20940**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations: Bill Richardson, of New Mexico, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Forty-second Session of the General Conference of the International Atomic Energy Agency. **Page 20957**

Measures Referred: **Page 20918**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—277) **Page 20896**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 8:30 a.m., and adjourned at 1:07 p.m., until 12 noon, on Monday, September 21, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 20957.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

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Bills Introduced: 9 public bills, H.R. 4597–4605; and 6 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 327–328, and H. Res. 545–548, were introduced. **Page 21005**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2661, to establish peer review for the review of standards promulgated under the Occupational Safety and Health Act of, amended (H. Rept. 105–730);

H.R. 2869, to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 to exempt safety and health assessments, audits, and reviews conducted by or for an employer from enforcement action under such Act, amended (H. Rept. 105–731);

H.R. 2873, to amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, amended (H. Rept. 105–732); and

H.R. 4068, to make certain technical corrections in laws relating to Native Americans, amended (H. Rept. 105–733). **Page 21005**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Emerson to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 20958**

Dollars to the Classroom Act: The House passed H.R. 3248, to provide dollars to the classroom, by a recorded vote of 212 ayes to 198 noes with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 452. **Page 20958**

Rejected:

The Mink amendment, numbered 1 and printed in House Report 105–726, that strikes lines 11 through 13 on page 17 that repeal the Native Hawaiian Education Act (rejected by a recorded vote of 200 ayes to 207 noes, Roll No. 450); **Pages 20927, 20992**

The Martinez amendment in the nature of a substitute, numbered 2 and printed in House Report 105–726, that establishes the "Class-Size Reduction and Teacher Quality Act" and authorizes \$20.8 billion, allocated by the De-

partment of Education to the States, over the next 10 years to reduce class size in grades 1 through 3 to an average of 18 students per class and allow school districts to hire an additional 100,000 teachers (rejected by a recorded vote of 190 ayes to 215 noes, Roll No. 451);

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The Clerk was authorized in the engrossment of the bill to make technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House.

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H. Res. 543, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill, was agreed to on September 17, 1998.

Meeting Hours—September 22 and 23: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Tuesday, September 22 at 10 a.m.; and that when the House adjourns on September 22, it adjourn to meet on Wednesday, September 23 at 2:00 p.m.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of September 23.

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Personal Privilege: Representative Hastings of Florida rose to a point of personal privilege and notified the Speaker of his intention to offer a privileged resolution.

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Personal Privilege: Representative Condit rose to a point of personal privilege and notified the Speaker of his intention to offer a privileged resolution.

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Late Report: Conferees received permission to have until midnight on Tuesday, September 22, to file a conference report on H.R. 3616, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense and to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1999.

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Consideration of Motions to Suspend the Rules: The House agreed to H. Res. 544, providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules, by voice vote. Subsequently, pursuant to the resolution, Representative McInnis announced that motions to suspend the rules and consider the following resolutions may be offered at a later time: H.R. 2000, H.R. 4068, H.R. 2314, S. 1279, H.R. 1481, H.R. 1659, H.R. 3381, H.R. 2223, H. Res. 144, S. 1355, H.R. 3598, H.R. 1756, H.R. 4005, H.R. 4244, H.R. 4283, H.R. 633, H. Res. 505, H. Con. Res. 315, H.R. 4558, and H.R. 4017.

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Volunteers for Wildlife Act: The House agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 1856, to amend the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a volunteer pilot project at one national wildlife refuge in each United States Fish and Wildlife Service region—clearing the measure for the President.

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Congressional Gold Medal for Nelson Mandela: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 326, permitting the use of the rotunda of the Capitol on September 23, 1998, for

the presentation of the Congressional Gold Medal to Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela.

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Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site Preservation Act: The House passed S. 1695, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site in the State of Colorado as a unit of the National Park System—clearing the measure for the President.

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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page 20958.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 20992, and 20993. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 1:32 p.m.

Committee Meetings

STATE CHILDREN'S HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment held a hearing on The State Children's Health Insurance Program: A Progress Report. Testimony was heard from Nancy-Ann DeParle, Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Claude Allen, Secretary of Health and Human Resources, State of Virginia; James Haveman, Director, Department of Community Health, State of Michigan; Douglas M. Cook, Director, Agency for Health Care Administration, State of Florida; Barbara A. DeBuono, M.D., Commissioner, Department of Health, State of New York; and Barbara Edwards, Director of Medicaid, State of Ohio.

SPECTRUM MANAGEMENT OVERSIGHT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on Spectrum Management Oversight. Testimony was heard from Dan Phythyon, Wireless Bureau Chief, FCC; and public witnesses.

INDEPENDENT COUNSEL COMMUNICATION—RELEASE OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS, RECORDS, AND MATERIALS

Committee on the Judiciary: Met in executive session and voted to release approximately 2,800 pages of the documents received by the House from the Office of Independent Counsel. The Committee also agreed to release the video version of the President's testimony before the grand jury on August 17th.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 4558, amended, Welfare, Noncitizen, and Unemployment Insurance Technical Amendments

Act of 1998; H.R. 4377, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to expand the membership of the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission to 17; H.R. 3511, amended, to amend title XI of the Social Security Act to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services to provide additional exceptions to the imposition of civil money penalties in cases of payments to beneficiaries; and H.R. 4567, amended, Medicare Home Health Care Interim Payment System Refinement Act of 1998.

TECHNOLOGY TRANSFERS TO CHINA

Select Committee on U.S. National Security and Military/Commercial Concerns with the People's Republic of China: Met in executive session to consider pending business.

Joint Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 4112, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

KOSOVO

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki Commission): On Thursday, September 17, Commission held hearings to examine United States policy regarding current political and human rights developments in Kosovo, receiving testimony from former Senator Dole, on behalf of the International Commission on Missing Persons in Bosnia; and John H.F. Shattuck, Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, and Commissioner, Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

Commission recessed subject to call.

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Monday, September 21, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 10635–71

Measures Introduced: Four bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2502–2505 and S.J. Res. 56 and 57. Page 21042

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 2675, to require that the Office of Personnel Management submit proposed legislation under which group universal life insurance and group variable universal life insurance would be available under chapter 87 of title 5, United States Code, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–337)

Report to accompany H.R. 2493, Forage Improvement Act of 1997, previously reported. (S. Rept. No. 105–338)

S. 730, to make retroactive the entitlement of certain Medal of Honor recipients to the special pension provided for persons entered and recorded on the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Coast Guard Medal of Honor Roll, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–339)

S. 1021, to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that consideration may not be denied to preference eligibles applying for certain positions in the competitive service, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–340)

S. 2273, to increase, effective as of December 1, 1998, the rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities, and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain service-connected disabled veterans, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 105–341) Page 21042

Measures Passed:

National Wildlife Refuge System: Senate passed S. 2317, to improve the National Wildlife Refuge System, after agreeing to committee amendments. Page 21056

Consumer Bankruptcy Reform Act: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1301, to amend title 11, United States Code, to provide for consumer bankruptcy protection, with a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: Page 21034

Pending:

Lott (for Grassley/Hatch) Amendment No. 3559, in the nature of a substitute. Page 21034

Feingold/Specter Amendment No. 3602 (to Amendment No. 3559), to ensure payment of trustees' costs under chapter 7 of title 11, United States Code, of abuse motions, without encouraging conflicts of interest between attorneys and clients. Page 21034

Feingold/Specter Amendment No. 3565 (to Amendment No. 3559), to provide for a waiver of filing fees in certain bankruptcy cases. Page 21034

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Tuesday, September 22, 1998. Page 21057

Messages From the House: Page 21042

Statements on Introduced Bills: Page 21042

Additional Cosponsors: Page 21053

Amendments Submitted: Page 21054

Additional Statements: Page 21055

Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon, and adjourn at 3:42 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, September 22, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 21057.)

Committee Meetings

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session. It will next meet on Tuesday, September 22.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

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Tuesday, September 22, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 21061–21131

Measures Introduced: Six bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2506–2511, and S. Con. Res. 119–120. **Page 21113**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 3069, to extend the Advisory Council on California Indian Policy to allow the Advisory Council to advise Congress on the implementation of the proposals and recommendations of the Advisory Council, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 105–342)

S. 1385, to amend title 38, United States Code, to expand the list of diseases presumed to be service connected with respect to radiation-exposed veterans, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–343)

S. 1822, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize provision of care to veterans treated with nasopharyngeal radium irradiation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–344)

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Measures Passed:

Use of Capitol Rotunda: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 326, permitting the use of the rotunda of the Capitol on September 23, 1998, for the presentation of the Congressional Gold Medal to Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela.

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National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 259, designating the week beginning September 20, 1998, as "National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week", and the resolution was then agreed to.

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Centennial of Flight Commemoration Act: Senate passed S. 1397, to establish a commission to assist in commemoration of the centennial of powered flight and the achievements of the Wright brothers, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Grassley (for Helms/Glenn) Amendment No. 3613, authorizing funds for fiscal years 1999 through 2004.

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Consumer Bankruptcy Reform Act: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1301, to amend title 11, United States Code, to provide for consumer bankruptcy protection, with a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

Pages 21061, 21094

Adopted:

Feingold/Specter Amendment No. 3565 (to Amendment No. 3559), to provide for a waiver of filing fees in certain bankruptcy cases. (By 47 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 280), Senate earlier failed to table the amendment.)

Pages 21061, 21088

Rejected:

Feingold/Specter Amendment No. 3602 (to Amendment No. 3559), to ensure payment of trustees' costs under chapter 7 of title 11, United States Code, of abuse motions, without encouraging conflicts of interest between attorneys and clients. (By 57 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. 279), Senate tabled the amendment.)

Pages 21061, 21086

Reed Amendment No. 3610 (to Amendment No. 3559), relating to court considerations with respect to dismissal or conversion. (By 63 yeas to 36 nays (Vote No. 281), Senate tabled the amendment.)

Pages 21062, 21089

Kennedy Amendment No. 3540 (to Amendment No. 3559), to increase the Federal minimum wage. (By 55 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. 278), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Pending:

Lott (for Grassley/Hatch) Amendment No. 3559, in the nature of a substitute.

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By unanimous consent, Amendment No. 3595, as modified, agreed to on September 17, 1998, was further modified.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Wednesday, September 23, 1998.

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Child Custody Protection Act—Cloture Vote: By 54 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 282), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to agree to close further debate on the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute to S. 1645, to amend title 18, United States Code, to

prohibit taking minors across State lines to avoid laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions.

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Federal Vacancies Reform Act—Cloture Filed: A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2176, to amend sections 3345 through 3349 of title 5, United States Code (commonly referred to as the "Vacancies Act") to clarify statutory requirements relating to vacancies in and appointments to certain Federal offices and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Thursday, September 24, 1998.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Eljay B. Bowron, of Michigan, to be Inspector General, Department of the Interior.

Rose Eilene Gottemoeller, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Non-Proliferation and National Security).

David Michaels, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Environment, Safety and Health).

William B. Bader, of New Jersey, to be an Associate Director of the United States Information Agency.

Vivian Lowery Derryck, an Assistant Administrator of the Agency for International Development, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the African Development Foundation for a term expiring September 27, 2003.

Susan E. Rice, an Assistant Secretary of State, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the African Development Foundation for a term expiring September 27, 2003.

Michael J. Sullivan, of Wyoming, to be Ambassador to Ireland.

Gordon Davidson, of California, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2004.

Cleo Parker Robinson, of Colorado, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2004.

Aleta A. Trauger, of Tennessee, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Tennessee.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

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Messages From the House:

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Authority for Committees:

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Additional Statements:

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Record Votes: Five record votes were taken today. (Total—282)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:44 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, September 23, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 21130.)

Committee Meetings

MIND/BODY MEDICINE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies concluded hearings to examine the clinical applications of mind and body medicine and its effects on health care costs, after receiving testimony from Norman Anderson, Director, Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services; Herbert Benson, Mind/Body Medical Institute/Harvard University Medical School, Boston, Massachusetts; and Harold G. Koenig, Center for the Study of Religion/Spirituality and Health/Duke University Medical Center, Durham, North Carolina.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Richard Danzig, of the District of Columbia, to be Secretary, Stephen W. Preston, of the District of Columbia, to be General Counsel, and Herbert Lee Buchanan III, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Research, Development and Acquisition, all of the Department of the Navy, Bernard Daniel Rostker, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of the Army, and Jeh Charles Johnson, of New York, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Air Force, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Linwood Holton, of Virginia, and Amy M. Rosen, of New Jersey, each to be a Member of the Reform Board (AMTRAK), after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Holton was introduced by Senators Warner and Robb, and Ms. Rosen was introduced by Senator Lautenberg.

COASTAL BARRIER MODIFICATION

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded hearings on S. 2470, to modify the boundaries within the Coastal Barrier Resources System in Florida by removing the 25-acre island of Pumpkin Key, after receiving testimony from Gerry Jackson, Assistant Director

of the Interior for Ecological Services/U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; Jacqueline Savitz, Coast Alliance, and Ralph DeGennaro, Taxpayers for Common Sense, both of Washington, D.C.; and Thomas Z. Hayward, Jr., Terra Cotta Realty, Inc., Key Largo, Florida.

BP-AMOCO MERGER

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights and Competition concluded hearings to examine the state of competition within the petroleum industry, focusing on the competitive implications of the proposed merger between BP America and the Amoco Corporation, after receiving testimony from David Freitag, Ohio Petroleum Retailers and Repair Association, Inc., Bellevue; Steven W. Percy, BP America Inc., Cleveland, Ohio; George S. Spindler, Amoco Corporation, Chicago, Illinois; and Philip K. Verleger, Jr., Brattle Group, Concord, Massachusetts.

VA HEALTH CARE QUALITY

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded oversight hearings to examine the quality of care in the veterans health care system, after receiving testimony from Kenneth W. Kizer, Under Secretary for Health, and Mark Catlett, Acting Assistant Secretary for Management, both of the Department of Veterans Affairs; Harry J. Wilbur, Chief, Urology Section, Samuel Stratton Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Albany, New York; Richard A. Wannemacher, Jr., Disabled American Veterans, Gordon H. Mansfield, Paralyzed Veterans of America, Jacqueline Garrick, American Legion, and Bobby L. Harnage, Sr., American Federation of Government Employees (AFL-CIO), all of Washington, D.C.; Ellen Pitts, National Association of Government Employees, Boston, Massachusetts; and Robert Jones, New York, New York, and John T. Carson, Springfield, Missouri, both former Directors, Veterans Integrated Service Network.

Conference Report on H.R. 3616, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1999 (H. Rept. 105-736).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Petri to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. James R. Seale of Frederick, Maryland.

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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page 21132.

Referrals: S. 2317, to improve the National Wildlife Refuge System, was referred to the Committee on Resources.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: No quorum calls or recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

Wednesday, September 23, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 21594-21742

Measures Introduced: Two bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2512 and 2513 and S. Res. 281.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Special Report on Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for fiscal year 1999. (S. Rept. No. 105-345)

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Measures Passed:

Consumer Bankruptcy Reform Act: By 97 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 284), Senate passed H.R. 3150, to amend title 11, United States Code, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 1301, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

Lott (for Grassley/Hatch) Amendment No. 3559, in the nature of a substitute.

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House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 1 public bill, H.R. 4606, was introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Conference Report on H.R. 4112, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105-734);

H.R. 4558, to make technical amendments to clarify the provision of benefits for noncitizens, and to improve the provision of unemployment insurance, child support, and supplemental security income benefits, amended (H. Rept. 105-735); and

Dodd Amendment No. 3614 (to Amendment No. 3559), to improve certain bankruptcy procedures relating to the protection of savings earmarked for the postsecondary education of children. **Page 21595**

Kohl Amendment No. 3599 (to Amendment No. 3559), to express the sense of the Senate regarding misuse of the homestead exemption to the bankruptcy laws. **Page 21597**

Feinstein/Durbin/Jeffords Amendment No. 3615 (to Amendment No. 3559), to provide for a study and report by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System regarding credit industry practices. **Page 21598**

Grassley Amendment No. 3617 (to Amendment No. 3559), to require a study regarding the adequacy of information received by consumers regarding the creation of security interests under open end credit plans, to amend provisions relating to a warehouseman's lien for handling of goods, to amend provisions relating to trustee compensation, and to further modify Amendment No. 3595, as previously agreed to. **Page 21618**

Rejected:

Harkin Amendment No. 3616 (to Amendment No. 3559), to express the sense of the Congress regarding the reduction of the Federal Funds rate by the Federal Open Market Committee. (By 71 yeas to 27 nays (Vote No. 283), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Page 21604**

Pursuant to the order of September 11, 1998, the Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Hatch, Grassley, Sessions, Leahy, and Durbin. **Page 21643**

Authorizing Testimony: Senate agreed to S. Res. 281, to authorize testimony and representation of employees of the Senate in *United States v. Alphonso Michael Espy*. **Page 21716**

FAA Authorizations: Senate began consideration of S. 2279, to amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize the programs of the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal years 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002, with a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 21657, 21675, 21681**

Adopted:

McCain/Ford Amendment No. 3618, to make certain minor additions and corrections to the bill. **Page 21675**

Roth/Moynihan Amendment No. 3621, to extend the Airport and Airway Trust Fund expenditure authority. **Page 21681**

McCain (for Snowe) Amendment No. 3623, to provide increased civil penalties for violation of the prohibition against discrimination against handicapped individuals. **Page 21689**

McCain (for Snowe) Amendment No. 3624, to require human weather observers for Automated Surface Observa-

tion System stations until the automated system reports consistently on changing conditions. **Page 21690**

McCain (for Snowe) Amendment No. 3625, to provide that communities participating in the community-carrier air service program will be selected from all regions of the country. **Page 21690**

McCain/Ford Amendment No. 3626, to make technical corrections. **Page 21690**

Pending:

Inhofe Amendment No. 3620, to provide for the immediate application of certain orders relating to the amendment, modification, suspension, or revocation of certificates under chapter 447 of title 49, United States Code. **Page 21682**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and certain amendments to be proposed thereto. **Pages 21691, 21717**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Thursday, September 24, 1998.

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report concerning the continuation of the national emergency with respect to UNITA; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Affairs. (PM-159). **Page 21699**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Denise E. O'Donnell, of New York, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of New York for the term of four years.

17 Army nominations in the rank of general.

2 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

A routine list in the Army and Foreign Service. **Page 21717**

Messages From the President: **Page 21699**

Messages From the House: **Page 21699**

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Additional Cosponsors: **Page 21701**

Amendments Submitted: **Page 21702**

Notices of Hearings: **Page 21712**

Authority for Committees: **Page 21713**

Additional Statements: **Page 21713**

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—284). **Pages 21609, 21623**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:37 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, September 24, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 21717.)

Committee Meetings

FORESTRY PROGRAMS

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings to examine the Forest Service's role and financial management of State and private forestry programs, after receiving testimony from Michael Dombeck, Chief, Forest Service, and Roger C. Viadero, Inspector General, both of the Department of Agriculture; Kirk P. Rodgers, Falls Church, Virginia, on behalf of the Forest Landowners Association, Inc.; John Heissenbuttel, American Forest and Paper Association, Washington, D.C.; and Burnell Fischer, on behalf of the National Association of State Foresters, and Lester L. Zimmer, Nature Conservancy, both of Indianapolis, Indiana.

POLIO/MEASLES ERADICATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies concluded hearings to examine the progress being made toward the global eradication of polio and measles, after receiving testimony from David Satcher, Surgeon General, Public Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services; E.M. Samba, World Health Organization, Harare, Zimbabwe; William Foege, Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia; and Herb Pigman, Rotary International, Ambia, Indiana.

NORTH KOREA

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded closed hearings to examine North Korea's ballistic missile and weapons of mass destruction programs, after receiving testimony from George J. Tenet, Director of Central Intelligence; and Lt. Gen. Patrick M. Hughes, USA, Director, Defense Intelligence Agency.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of John D. Hawke, Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, and Saul N. Ramirez, Jr., of Texas, to be Deputy Secretary, William C. Apgar, Jr., of Massachusetts, to be Assistant Secretary for Housing and Federal Housing Administrator, Cardell Cooper, of New Jersey, to be Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, and Harold Lucas, of New Jersey, to be Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, all of the Department of Housing and Urban Affairs, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Hawke was introduced by Representative Leach, Mr. Ramirez was introduced by Senator Gramm, and Messrs. Cooper and Lucas were introduced by Senator Lautenberg and Representative Payne.

GLOBAL ECONOMY

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded hearings to examine the impact of the global economic slowdown may have on the United States economy, after receiving testimony from Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve Board; and Lawrence H. Summers, Deputy Secretary of the Treasury.

CHILDREN'S ONLINE PRIVACY PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications concluded hearings on S. 2326, to require the Federal Trade Commission to prescribe regulations to protect the privacy of personal information collected from and about children on the Internet, and to provide greater parental control over the collection and use of that information, after receiving testimony from Robert Pitofsky, Chairman, Federal Trade Commission; Jill Lesser, America Online, Deirdre Mulligan, Center for Democracy and Technology, Kathryn Montgomery, on behalf of the Center for Media Education and Consumer Federation of America, and Arthur B. Sackler, Time Warner, Inc., all of Washington, D.C.

COMMERCIAL SPACE TRANSPORTATION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space concluded hearings to examine United States commercial space launch industry activities, after receiving testimony from Gary R. Bachula, Acting Under Secretary of Commerce for Technology; Daniel S. Goldin, Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration; John E. Graykowski, Deputy Administrator, Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation; Arthur Money, Senior Civilian Official, Office of the Secretary of Defense; Gregory G. Randolph, Goldman, Sachs and Co., New York, New York; Jerry Rising, Lockheed Martin Corporation, and Stephen G. Wurst, Space Access LLC, both of Palmdale, California; Gale Schluter, Boeing Company, Arlington, Virginia; and John W. Vinter, International Space Brokers, Inc., Rosslyn, Virginia.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2257, to authorize funds through fiscal years 2004 for the National Historic Preservation Act, with amendments;

S. 2284, to establish the Minuteman Missile National Historic Site in the State of South Dakota, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2142, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey the facilities of the Pine River Project, to allow jurisdictional transfer of lands between the Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, and the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, and the Bureau of Indian Affairs, with an amendment;

S. 777, to authorize the construction of the Lewis and Clark Rural Water System and to authorize assistance to the Lewis and Clark Rural Water System, Inc., a non-profit corporation, for planning and construction of the water supply system, with amendments;

S. 2117, to authorize the construction of the Perkins County Rural Water System and authorize financial assistance to the Perkins County Rural Water System, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, in the planning and construction of the water supply system, with amendments;

S. 744, to authorize the construction of the Fall River Water Users District Rural Water System and authorize financial assistance to the Fall River Water Users District, a non-profit corporation, in the planning and construction of the water supply system, with amendments;

S. 2041, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the design, planning, and construction of the Willow Lake Natural Treatment System Project for the reclamation and reuse of water within Salem, Oregon;

S. 2140, to amend the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act of 1992 to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the design, planning, and construction of the Denver Water Reuse project;

H.R. 2402, to make technical and clarifying amendments to improve management of water-related facilities in the Western United States, with amendments;

H.R. 3687, to authorize prepayment of amounts due under a water reclamation project contract for the Canadian River Project, Texas, with an amendment;

H.R. 4079, to authorize the construction of temperature control devices at Folsom Dam in California;

H.R. 4166, to amend the Idaho Admission Act regarding the sale or lease of school land;

S. 1175, to reauthorize the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area Citizen Advisory Commission for 10 additional years;

S. 1641, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to study alternatives for establishing a national historic trail to commemorate and interpret the history of women's rights in the United States, with amendments;

S. 1960, to allow the National Park Service to acquire certain land for addition to the Wilderness Battlefield, as previously authorized by law, by purchase or exchange as well as by donation, with an amendment;

S. 2133, to designate former United States Route 66 as "America's Main Street" and authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance, with an amendment;

S. 2239, to revise the boundary of Fort Matanzas National Monument;

S. 2240, to establish the Adams National Historical Park in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, with an amendment;

S. 2241, to provide for the acquisition of lands formerly occupied by the Franklin D. Roosevelt family at Hyde Park, New York;

S. 2246, to amend the Act which established the Frederick Law Olmsted National Historic Site, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, by modifying the boundary;

S. 2247, to permit the payment of medical expenses incurred by the U.S. Park Police in the performance of duty to be made directly by the National Park Service;

S. 2248, to allow for waiver and indemnification in mutual law enforcement agreements between the National Park Service and a state or political subdivision, when required by State law;

S. 2285, to establish a commission, in honor of the 150th Anniversary of the Seneca Falls Convention, to further protect sites of importance in the historic efforts to secure equal rights for women;

S. 2297, to provide for the distribution of certain publications in units of the National Park System under a sales agreement between the Secretary of the Interior and a private contractor, with an amendment;

S. 2309, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into an agreement for the construction and operation of the Gateway Visitor Center at Independence National Historical Park in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania;

S. 2401, to authorize the addition of the Paoli Battlefield site in Malvern, Pennsylvania, to Valley Forge National Historical Park, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 2411, to provide for a land exchange involving the Cape Cod National Seashore and to extend the authority for the Cape Cod National Seashore Advisory Commission;

S. 991, to make technical corrections to the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996;

S. 2468, to designate the Biscayne National Park visitor center as the Dante Fascell Visitor Center at Biscayne National Park in Florida, with an amendment;

S. 2086, to revise the boundaries of the George Washington Birthplace National Monument in Virginia, with an amendment;

S. 2136, to provide for the exchange of certain land in the State of Washington, with an amendment;

S. 736, to convey certain real property within the Carlsbad Project in New Mexico to the Carlsbad Irrigation District, with an amendment;

S. 2500, to protect the sanctity of contracts and leases entered into by surface patent holders with respect to coalbed methane gas, with an amendment; and

The nominations of Charles G. Groat, of Texas, to be Director of the United States Geological Survey, Department of the Interior, and Gregory H. Friedman, of Colorado, to be Inspector General, Department of Energy.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nominations of J. Charles Fox, of Maryland, to be Assistant Administrator for Water, Romulo L. Diaz, Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Administrator for Administration and Resources Management, and Norine E. Noonan, of Florida, to be Assistant Administrator for Research and Development, all of the Environmental Protection Agency;

H.R. 8, to amend the Clean Air Act to deny entry into the United States of certain foreign motor vehicles that do not comply with State laws governing motor vehicles emissions;

S. 555, to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to require that at least 85 percent of funds appropriated to the Environmental Protection Agency from the Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund be distributed to States to carry out cooperative agreements for undertaking corrective action and for enforcement of subtitle I of that Act, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2351, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make corrections to a map relating to the Coastal Barrier Resources System, with an amendment;

S. 2469, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make technical corrections to a map relating to the Coastal Barrier Resources System, with an amendment;

S. 2470, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make technical corrections to a map relating to the Coastal Barrier Resources System, with an amendment;

S. 2474, A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make corrections to certain maps relating to the Coastal Barrier Resources System, with an amendment; and

S. 2505, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey title to the Tunnison Lab Hagerman Field Station in Gooding County, Idaho, to the University of Idaho, with an amendment.

**PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
CONSOLIDATION**

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure concluded hearings to examine the Patent and Trademark Office plan to consolidate its facilities and operations, after receiving testimony from Robert A. Peck, Commissioner, Public Buildings Service, General Services Administration; Bruce A. Lehman, Assistant Secretary and Commissioner, and JoAnne Barnard, Director for Space Acquisition, both of the Patents and Trademark Office, and Johnnie E. Frazier, Acting Inspector General, all of the Department of Commerce; Michael K. Kirk, American Intellectual Property Law Association, Arlington, Virginia; Peter J. Sepp, National Taxpayers Union, Alexandria, Virginia; David E. Williams, Citizens Against Government Waste, and Allan V. Burman, Jefferson Solutions, both of Wash-

ington, D.C.; and Samuel R. Collins, Deva & Associates, Bethesda, Maryland.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Richard Henry Jones, of Nebraska, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Kazakhstan, Robert Patrick John Finn, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Tajikistan, John Shattuck, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the Czech Republic, and Michael J. Sullivan, of Wyoming, to be Ambassador to Ireland, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Shattuck was introduced by Senator Kerry, and Mr. Sullivan was introduced by Senators Enzi and Thomas.

INFORMATION SECURITY

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee resumed hearings to examine the status of computer security in the Federal Government, focusing on computer security weaknesses at the Social Security Administration and the Department of Veterans Affairs, receiving testimony from James G. Huse, Jr., Acting Inspector General, Ed Ryan, Special Agent in Charge (New York Field Office), and John R. Dyer, Principal Deputy Commissioner, all of the Social Security Administration; Gene L. Dodaro, Assistant Comptroller General, Robert F. Dacey, Director for Consolidated Audits and Computer Security Issues, and Keith Rhodes, Technical Director for Computers and Telecommunications, all of the Accounting and Information Management Division, General Accounting Office; and Harold F. Gracey, Jr., Acting Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Information and Technology.

Committee recessed subject to call.

RIGHT TO BEAR ARMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Constitution, Federalism, and Property Rights concluded hearings to examine the intent of the Second Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, which provides the right to keep and bear arms, after receiving testimony from Senator Smith; Charlton Heston, Beverly Hills, California, on behalf of the National Rifle Association of America; Dennis A. Henigan, Handgun Control, Inc., on behalf of the Center to Prevent Handgun Violence, and Robert J. Cottrol, George Washington University School of Law, both of Washington, D.C.; Carl T. Bogus, Roger Williams University School of Law, Bristol, Rhode Island; Joyce Lee Malcolm, Bentley College, Waltham, Massachusetts; Robert J. Spitzer, State University of New York, Cortland; Eugene Volokh, University of California at Los Angeles Law School, Los Angeles, California; and Stephen P. Halbrook, Fairfax, Virginia.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

An original bill to provide for compassionate payments with regard to individuals with blood-clotting disorders, such as hemophilia, who contracted human immunodeficiency virus due to contaminated blood products;

H.R. 1023, to provide for compassionate payments with regard to individuals with blood-clotting disorders, such as hemophilia, who contracted human immunodeficiency virus due to contaminated blood products; and

The nominations of Ida L. Castro, of New York, Paul M. Igasaki, of California and Paul Steven Miller, of California, each to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, Henry L. Solano, of Colorado, to be Solicitor of the Department of Labor, Joy Harjo, of New Mexico, and Joan Specter, of Pennsylvania, each to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts, Joseph E. Stevens Jr., of Missouri, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation, Jane E. Henney, of New Mexico, to be Commissioner of Food and Drugs, and Patricia T. Montoya, of New Mexico, to be Commissioner on Children, Youth, and Families, both of the Department of Health and Human Services, and Thomasina V. Rogers, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee will meet again on Thursday, Oct. 1.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 4607–4616; and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 329, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1154, to provide for administrative procedures to extend Federal recognition to certain Indian groups, amended (H. Rept. 105–737);

H.R. 4578, to amend the Social Security Act to establish the Protect Social Security Account into which the Secretary of the Treasury shall deposit budget surpluses until a reform measure is enacted to ensure the long-term solvency of the OASDI trust funds, amended (H. Rept. 105–738);

H.R. 4579, to provide tax relief for individuals, families, and farming and other small businesses, to provide tax incentives for education, to extend certain expiring provisions, amended (H. Rept. 105–739);

H. Res. 549, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 3616, to authorize ap-

propriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1999 (H. Rept. 105–740); and

H. Res. 550, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 4112, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–741).

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Dr. Warren Blakeman of Monroe, Louisiana.

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United States Nuclear Weapons Expertise: Read a letter from the Minority Leader wherein he appointed Henry W. Kendall, Ph.D. of Massachusetts to the Commission on Maintaining United States Nuclear Weapons Expertise.

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Holocaust Assets in the United States: Read a letter from the Minority Leader wherein he appointed Representatives Maloney of Connecticut and Sherman to the Presidential Advisory Commission on Holocaust Assets in the United States.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Great Lakes Fish and Wildlife Restoration Act: H.R. 1481, amended, to amend the Great Lakes Fish and Wildlife Restoration Act of 1990 to provide for implementation of recommendations of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service contained in the Great Lakes Fishery Restoration Study Report. Agreed to amend the title;

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Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma Federal Indian Services Restoration Act: H.R. 2314, amended, to restore Federal Indian services to members of the Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma residing in Maverick County, Texas, to clarify United States citizenship status of such members, to provide trust land for the benefit of the Tribe. Agreed to amend the title;

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Gallatin Land Consolidation Act: H.R. 3381, amended, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to exchange land and other assets with Big Sky Lumber Co. Agreed to amend the title;

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Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument Completion Act: H.R. 1659, amended, to provide for the expeditious completion of the acquisition of private mineral interests within the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument mandated by the 1982 Act that established the Monument;

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Bicentennial of Lewis and Clark Expedition: H. Res. 144, amended, to express support for the bicentennial of

the Lewis and Clark Expedition (agreed to by a recorded vote of 416 ayes with none voting "no", Roll No. 454);

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Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act: H.R. 2000, amended, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to make certain clarifications to the land bank protection provisions;

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Technical Corrections in Laws Relating to Native Americans: H.R. 4068, amended, to make certain technical corrections in laws relating to Native Americans;

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Diplomatic Relations with Pacific Island Nations: H. Res. 505, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives with respect to the importance of diplomatic relations with the Pacific Island nations (agreed to by a recorded vote of 414 ayes with 1 voting no, Roll No. 455);

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Condemning Atrocities by Serbian Police against Albanians: H. Con. Res. 315, amended, expressing the sense of the Congress condemning the atrocities by Serbian police and military forces against Albanians in Kosova and urging that blocked assets of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) under control of the United States and other governments be used to compensate the Albanians in Kosova for losses suffered through Serbian police and military action (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 410 yeas with none voting "nay" and 1 voting "present", Roll No. 456);

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Richard C. Lee United States Courthouse: S. 1355, amended, to designate the United States courthouse located in New Haven, Connecticut, as the "Richard C. Lee United States Courthouse". Agreed to amend the title—clearing the measure for the President;

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Robert K. Rodibaugh United States Bankruptcy Courthouse: H.R. 81, to designate the United States courthouse located at 401 South Michigan Street in South Bend, Indiana, as the "Robert K. Rodibaugh United States Bankruptcy Courthouse";

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Noncitizen Benefit and Other Technical Amendments Act: H.R. 4558, amended, to make technical amendments to clarify the provision of benefits for non-citizens, and to improve the provision of unemployment insurance, child support, and supplemental security income benefits.

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Recess: The House recessed at 4:30 p.m. and reconvened at 4:45 p.m.

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Privileged Resolution: By a ye and nay vote of 340 yeas to 71 nays, Roll No. 453, the House agreed to the LaHood motion to table H. Res. 545, impeaching Kenneth W. Starr, an independent counsel of the United

States appointed pursuant to 28 United States Code section 593(b), of high crimes and misdemeanors.

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Privileged Resolution: The Chair ruled that H. Res. 546, ordering the immediate printing of the entire communication received on September 9, 1998, from an independent counsel, did not constitute a question of the privileges of the House and could not be considered at this time.

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WIPO Copyright Treaties Implementation Act: The House disagreed with the Senate amendment to H.R. 2281, to amend title 17, United States Code, to implement the World Intellectual Property Organization Copyright Treaty and Performances and Phonograms Treaty, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees from the Committee on the Judiciary: Representatives Hyde, Coble, Goodlatte, Conyers and Berman; and from the Committee on Commerce: Representatives Bliley, Tauzin, and Dingell.

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Presidential Message—National Emergency with Angola: Read a message from the President wherein he transmits his report concerning the national emergency with respect to Angola—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered be printed (H. Doc. 105—315).

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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page 21520.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 21588.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two ye and nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 21561, 21563, 21564, and 21565. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2:00 p.m. and adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Committee Meetings

EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM ENHANCEMENT ACT

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Department Operations, Nutrition, and Foreign Agriculture held a hearing to review the Emergency Food Assistance Program Enhancement Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Representative Hall of Ohio; Edward M. Cooney, Deputy Administrator, Special Nutrition Programs, Food and Nutrition Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

MICROENTERPRISE INDUSTRY

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Held a hearing on H.R. 4179, to authorize qualified organizations to provide technical assistance and capacity building services to microenterprise development organizations and programs and to disadvantaged entrepreneurs using funds from the Community Development Financial Institutions

Fund. Testimony was heard from Senator Kennedy; Representatives Rush and DeGette; the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Michael Barr, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Community Development Policy; and Ellen Lazar, Director, Community Development Financial Institutions Fund; John Gray, Associate Deputy Administrator, Capital Access, SBA; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on H.R. 3658 Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy's Reservation Indian Reserved Rights Settlement Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from David J. Hayes, Counsel to the Secretary, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

CONFERENCE REPORT—NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 3616, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard from Chairman Spence and Representative Skelton.

CONFERENCE REPORT—LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 4112, Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1999, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard from Representatives Walsh and Serrano.

OVERSIGHT—GAO REPORT—NATIONAL LABORATORY MANAGEMENT REFORM

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Basic Research and the Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a joint oversight hearing on the GAO Report on Department of Energy National Laboratory Management Reform. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Energy: Ernest Moniz, Under Secretary; and John P. McTague, Vice-Chairman, Laboratory Operations Board; Victor S. Rezendes, Director, Energy, Natural Resources, and Science Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, GAO; and Charles V. Shank, Director, Ernest Orlando Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory.

SBA SECONDARY MARKET

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Government Programs and Oversight held a hearing with respect to the SBA Secondary Market in Guaranteed Portion of 7(a) Loans. Testimony was heard from Thomas J. McCool, Director, Financial Institutions and Market Issues, GAO;

Jane Butler, Acting Administrator, Financial Assistance, SBA; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate and House-passed versions of H.R. 4103, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Six bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2514–2519 and S. Res. 282.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1405, to provide for improved monetary policy and regulatory reform in financial institution management and activities, to streamline financial regulatory agency actions, to provide for improved consumer credit disclosure, and for other purposes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–346)

H.R. 378, for the relief of Heraclio Tolley.

H.R. 379, for the relief of Larry Errol Pieterse.

H.R. 2744, for the relief of Chong Ho Kwak.

S. 1202, providing relief for Sergio Lozano, Fauricio Lozano, and Ana Lozano.

S. 1460, for the relief of Alexandre Malofienko, Olga Matsko, and their son Vladimir Malofienko.

S. 1551, for the relief of Kerantha Poole-Christian.

S. 2151, to clarify Federal law to prohibit the dispensing or distribution of a controlled substance for the purpose of causing, or assisting in causing, the suicide, euthanasia, or mercy killing of any individual, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2235, to amend part Q of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to encourage the use of school resource officers.

S. 2253, to establish a matching grant program to help State and local jurisdictions purchase bullet resistant equipment for use by law enforcement departments.

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Measures Passed:

Congressional Gold Medal: Senate passed H.R. 3506, to award a congressional gold medal to Gerald R. and

Betty Ford, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 21822**

McCain (for D'Amato) Amendment No. 3647, to award congressional gold medals to Jean Brown Trickey, Carlotta Walls LaNier, Melba Patillo Beals, Terrence Roberts, Gloria Ray Karlmark, Thelma Mothershed Wair, Ernest Green, Elizabeth Eckford, and Jefferson Thomas, commonly referred to collectively as the "Little Rock Nine", on the occasion of the 40th anniversary of the integration of the Central High School in Little Rock, Arkansas. **Page 21822**

FAA Authorizations: Senate concluded consideration of H.R. 4057, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize programs of the Federal Aviation Administration, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 2279, Senate companion measure, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

Reed Amendment No. 3629, to provide for the expenditure of certain unobligated funds for noise abatement discretionary grants. **Page 21758**

McCain (for Faircloth) Amendment No. 3631, to express the sense of the Senate that the Secretary of Transportation should ensure the enforcement of the rights of the United States under the air service agreement between the United States and the United Kingdom known as the "Bermuda II Agreement". **Page 21765**

McCain (for DeWine) Amendment No. 3632, to express the sense of the Senate that the Secretary of Transportation should ensure the enforcement of the rights of the United States under the air service agreement between the United States and the United Kingdom known as the "Bermuda II Agreement". **Page 21766**

McCain (for Thompson) Amendment No. 3633, to provide for criminal penalties for pilots operating in air transportation without an airman's certificate. **Page 21766**

Robb Amendment No. 3634, to ensure consumers benefit from any changes to the slot rule and perimeter rule at Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport. **Page 21766**

Moynihan Amendment No. 3635, to provide for reporting of certain amounts contributed to the Airport and Airway Trust Fund and funding of States for airport improvement. **Pages 21767, 21775**

Dorgan Amendment No. 3636, to facilitate air service to under-served communities and encourage airline competition through non-discriminatory interconnection requirements between air carriers. **Page 21772**

Sarbanes/Mikulski/Robb/Warner Amendment No. 3637, to ensure that certain funds made available to the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority are used for noise compatibility planning and programs. **Page 21776**

Sarbanes/Mikulski/Robb/Warner Amendment No. 3638, to mitigate adverse environmental noise consequences of exemptions of additional air carrier slots added to Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport as a result of exemption. **Page 21777**

Sarbanes/Mikulski/Robb/Warner Amendment No. 3639, to mitigate adverse environmental noise consequences of exemptions for Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport flight operations by making available financial assistance for noise compatibility planning and programs. **Page 21777**

McCain Amendment No. 3640 (to Amendment No. 3639), of a clarifying nature. **Page 21778**

McCain (for Bingaman/Domenici) Amendment No. 3641, to require the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to conduct a demonstration project to require aircraft to maintain a minimum altitude over Taos Pueblo and the Blue Lake Wilderness Area of Taos Pueblo, New Mexico. **Page 21778**

McCain (for Reed) Amendment No. 3642, to require the Secretary of Transportation to promulgate regulations to improve notification to consumers of air transportation from an air carrier of the corporate identity of the transporting air carrier. **Page 21778**

Warner/Sarbanes/Robb/Mikulski Amendment No. 3643, relating to the granting of exemptions. **Page 21780**

Subsequently, adoption of the amendment was vitiated. **Page 21786**

Warner Amendment No. 3644, to provide for an assessment of safety, noise and environmental impacts at Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport. **Page 21786**

McCain/Ford Amendment No. 3646, to make technical corrections to Amendment No. 3618, previously agreed to. **Page 21791**

Rejected:

By 46 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 286), Inhofe Amendment No. 3620, to provide for the immediate application of certain orders relating to the amendment, modification, suspension, or revocation of certificates under chapter 447 of title 49, United States Code. **Page 21744**

Torricelli Amendment No. 3627, to establish the Office of Noise Abatement and Control in the Environmental Protection Agency. (By 69 yeas to 27 nays (Vote No. 287), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages 21749, 21753**

Withdrawn:

Dorgan Amendment No. 3628, to provide an investment credit to promote the availability of jet aircraft to underserved communities, and to reduce the passenger tax rate on rural domestic flight segments. **Page 21757**

Specter Amendment No. 3645, to provide for the recovery of non-pecuniary damages in commercial aviation suits. **Page 21787**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that following passage of the bill on Friday, September

25, 1998, the Senate insist on its amendment, request a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate.

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Federal Vacancies Reform Act—Cloture Vote: By 96 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 285), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2176, to amend sections 3345 through 3349 of title 5, United States Code (commonly referred to as the "Vacancies Act") to clarify statutory requirements relating to vacancies in and appointments to certain Federal offices.

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Subsequently, a motion to proceed to consideration of the bill was agreed to by unanimous-consent, and a motion was entered to close further debate on the bill. In accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Monday, September 28, 1998.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Linwood Holton, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Reform Board (AMTRAK) for a term of five years.

Amy M. Rosen, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Reform Board (AMTRAK) for a term of five years.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

C. Donald Johnson, Jr., of Georgia, for the Rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Chief Textile Negotiator.

William Clifford Smith, of Louisiana, to be a Member of the Mississippi River Commission for a term expiring October 21, 2005.

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—287)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:09 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, September 25, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks

of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 21823.)

Committee Meetings

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Richard Danzig, of the District of Columbia, to be Secretary of the Navy, Bernard Daniel Rostker, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of the Army, Stephen W. Preston, of the District of Columbia, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Navy; Herbert Lee Buchanan, III, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Jeh Charles Johnson, of New York, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Air Force, James M. Bodner, of Virginia, to be Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, and 5,539 military nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

BALLISTIC MISSILE THREAT

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded open and closed hearings on the report of the Commission to Assess the Ballistic Missile Threat to the United States, after receiving testimony from Donald H. Rumsfeld, Chairman, Commission to Assess the Ballistic Missile Threat to the United States, who was accompanied by several of his associates.

ARMY/MARINE READINESS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness concluded hearings to examine the readiness challenges confronting the United States Army and Marine Corps forces and their ability to successfully execute the National Military Strategy, after receiving testimony from Gen. Thomas A. Schwartz, USA, Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces Command; Gen. David A. Bramlett, USA, former Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces Command; Maj. Gen. Wayne E. Rollings, USMC, Commanding General, II Marine Expeditionary Force; Maj. Gen. Emil R. Bedard, USMC, Commanding General, 2nd Marine Division; Maj. Gen. William L. Nyland, USMC, Commanding General, 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing; Maj. Gen. Ray L. Smith, USMC, Commanding General, Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune; and Brig. Gen. Paul M. Lee, Jr., USMC, 2nd Force Service Support Group.

MIDWEST ELECTRICITY PRICE SPIKES

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded oversight hearings on the need to provide consumers with the benefits of a competitive electric market, focusing on the electricity pricing abnormalities that occurred in the Midwest during the week of June 22 through 26, 1998, after receiving testimony from Senator Durbin; James J. Hoecker, Chairman, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; Jolynn Barry Butler, Commissioner, Public Utility Commission of Ohio, on behalf of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commis-

sioners, and Susan Tomasky, American Electric Power Company, both of Columbus, Ohio; James L. Turner, Cinergy Corporation, Cincinnati, Ohio; Steven J. Kean, Enron Corporation, Houston, Texas; and Mark Millett, Steel Dynamics, Inc., Butler, Indiana.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Patricia T. Montoya, of New Mexico, to be Commissioner on Children, Youth, and Families, Department of Health and Human Services, and David C. Williams, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Department of the Treasury, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Ms. Montoya was introduced by Senators Domenici and Bingaman.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nominations of Patricia A. Broderick, Natalia Combs Greene, and Neal E. Kravitz, each to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, Kenneth Prewitt, of New York, to be Director of the Census, Department of Commerce, and Robert M. Walker, of Tennessee, to be Deputy Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency;

S. 2404, to establish designations for United States Postal Service buildings located in Coconut Grove, Opa Locka, Carol City, and Miami, Florida;

S. 2370, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at Tall Timbers Village Square, United States Highway 19 South, in Thomasville, Georgia, as the "Lieutenant Henry O. Flipper Station";

S. 2310, to designate the United States Post Office located at 297 Larkfield Road in East Northport, New York, as the "Jerome Anthony Ambro, Jr. Post Office Building";

H.R. 3999, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 5209 Greene Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "David P. Richardson, Jr., Post Office Building";

H.R. 3939, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 658 63rd Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "Edgar C. Campbell, Sr., Post Office Building";

H.R. 3810, to designate the United States Post Office located at 202 Center Street in Garwood, New Jersey, as the "James T. Leonard, Sr. Post Office";

H.R. 3808, to designate the United States Post Office located at 47526 Clipper Drive in Plymouth, Michigan, as the "Carl D. Pursell Post Office";

H.R. 3630, to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 9719 Candelaria Road NE. in Albuquerque, New Mexico, as the "Steven Schiff Post Office";

H.R. 2799, to redesignate the building of the United States Postal Service located at 324 South Laramie Street,

in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Reverend Milton R. Brunson Post Office Building";

H.R. 2798, to redesignate the building of the United States Postal Service located at 2419 West Monroe Street, in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Nancy B. Jefferson Post Office Building"; and

H.R. 2623, to designate the United States Post Office located at 16250 Highway 603 in Kiln, Mississippi, as the "Ray J. Favre Post Office Building".

FOOD IMPORT SAFETY

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations resumed hearings to examine the safety of food imports, focusing on imported fruits and vegetables, receiving testimony from Senators Coverdell, Kennedy, Mikulski, and Harkin; Raymond W. Kelly, Commissioner, United States Customs Service, Department of the Treasury; Thomas J. Billy, Administrator, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture; William B. Schultz, Deputy Commissioner for Policy, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; and Sanford A. Miller, University of Texas Health Science Center, San Antonio, on behalf of the Committee to Ensure Safe Food From Production to Consumption, Institute of Medicine/National Research Council/National Academy of Sciences.

Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 2151, to clarify Federal law to prohibit the dispensing or distribution of a controlled substance for the purpose of causing, or assisting in causing, the suicide, euthanasia, or mercy killing of any individual, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2099, to provide for enhanced Federal sentencing guidelines for counterfeiting offenses, with an amendment;

S. 2235, to amend part Q of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to encourage the use of school resource officers;

S. 2253, to establish a matching grant program to help State and local jurisdictions purchase bullet resistant equipment for use by law enforcement departments;

H.R. 379, for the relief of Larry Errol Pieterse;

H.R. 2744, for the relief of Chong Ho Kwak;

S. 1551, for the relief of Kerantha Poole-Christian;

H.R. 378, for the relief of Heraclio Tolley;

S. 1202, providing relief for Sergio Lozano, Fauricio Lozano, and Ana Lozano; and

S. 1460, for the relief of Alexandre Malofienko, Olga Matsko, and their son Vladimir Malofienko.

CAPITOL SECURITY

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee held closed hearings to examine United States Capitol security

issues, receiving testimony from Larry E. Torrence, Acting Assistant Director, and Robert M. Blitzer, Section Chief, Domestic Terrorism Unit, both of the National Security Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; Gregory S. Casey, Sergeant at Arms, United States Senate; Wilson Livingood, Sergeant at Arms, U.S. House of Representatives; Alan M. Hantman, Architect of the Capitol; Gary Abrecht, Chief of Police, and Bob Greeley, Director, Physical Division, both of the United States Capitol Police; and Sam Raines, Booz, Allen & Hamilton, Inc., Falls Church, Virginia.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

SMALL BUSINESS COMPETITION

Committee on Small Business: Committee concluded hearings to examine how small businesses can compete with campus bookstores, and related provisions of S. 2490, to prohibit postsecondary educational institutions from requiring the purchase of goods and services from on-campus businesses, intentionally withholding course information from off-campus businesses, or preventing students from obtaining course information or materials from off-campus businesses, after receiving testimony from William D. Gray, Gray's College Bookstore, Charlotte, North Carolina, on behalf of the Campus Area Small Business Alliance; Graham Gillette, Pinnacle Communications, Des Moines, Iowa, on behalf of the Campus Book Store, Inc.; Rob Karr, Illinois Retail Merchants Association, Chicago; and Anthony Samu, United States Student Association, Washington, D.C.

AUBURN INDIAN RESTORATION ACT

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on H.R. 1805, to amend the Auburn Indian Restoration Act to establish restrictions related to gaming on and use of land held in trust for the United Auburn Indian Community of the Auburn Rancheria of California, after receiving testimony from Representative Doolittle; Kevin Gover, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs; and Jessica Tavares, United Auburn Indian Community, Newcastle, California.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 4617–4626; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 554, were introduced. **Page 21918**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2370, to amend the Organic Act of Guam for the purposes of clarifying the local judicial structure and the office of Attorney General, amended (H. Rept. 105–742);

H. Res. 551, providing for the consideration of H.R. 4618, to provide emergency assistance to American farmers and ranchers for crop and livestock feed losses due to disasters and to respond to loss of world markets for American agricultural commodities (H. Rept. 105–743);

H. Res. 552, providing for consideration of H.R. 4578, to amend the Social Security Act to establish the Protect Social Security Account into which the Secretary of the Treasury shall deposit budget surpluses until a reform measure is enacted to ensure the long-term solvency of the OASDI trust fund, and for consideration of H.R. 4579, to provide tax relief for individuals, families, and farming and other small businesses, to provide tax incentives for education, to extend certain expiring provisions (H. Rept. 105–744); and

H. Res. 553, providing for consideration of H.R. 2621, to extend trade authorities procedures with respect to reciprocal trade agreements (H. Rept. 105–745).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Ney to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. A. David Argo of Washington, D.C.

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Legislative Branch Appropriations: The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4112, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, by a ye and nay vote of 356 yeas to 65 nays, Roll No. 457.

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Agreed to H. Res. 550, the rule waiving points of order against the conference report by voice vote.

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Defense Authorization: The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 3616, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1999, by a ye and nay vote of 373 yeas to 50 nays, Roll No. 458.

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Agreed to H. Res. 549, the rule waiving points of order against the conference report by voice vote.

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Workforce Improvement and Protection Act: The House passed H.R. 3736, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to make changes relating to H-1B non-immigrants, by a recorded vote of 288 yeas to 133 noes, Roll No. 460.

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Agreed to the amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order by the rule, as amended.

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Rejected the Watt of North Carolina amendment in the nature of a substitute numbered 2 printed in the Congressional Record that temporarily increases H-1B program visas from 65,000 to 95,000 in 1998, 105,000 in 1999, 115,000 in 2000; and then returns to 65,000

in 2001 and subsequent years. The increases are offset by a decrease in H-2B visas allowed each year (rejected by a yeas and nays vote of 177 yeas to 242 nays, Roll No. 459). **Page 21881**

The Clerk was authorized in the engrossment of the bill to make technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House. **Page 21893**

Agreed to H. Res. 513, the rule providing for consideration of the bill by voice vote. Earlier, agreed to the Dreier amendment that made in order as self-executing the amendment in the nature of a substitute numbered 3 and printed in the Congressional Record. **Page 21861**

Head Start Amendments: The House insisted upon its amendment to S. 2206, to amend the Head Start Act, the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981, and the Community Services Block Grant Act to reauthorize and make improvements to those Acts, to establish demonstration projects that provide an opportunity for persons with limited means to accumulate assets, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Goodling, Castle, Souder, Clay, and Martinez. **Page 21893**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page 21824.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 21919.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yeas and nays votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 21846, 21860, 21891, and 21892. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 9:44 p.m.

Committee Meetings

OVERSIGHT—FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE BOARD

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Securities and Government Sponsored Enterprises held an oversight hearing on the Federal Housing Finance Board's responsibility for safety and soundness and mission regulation of the Federal Home Loan Bank System. Testimony was heard from Richard S. Carnell, Assistant Secretary, Financial Institutions, Department of the Treasury; Nancy Kingsbury, Acting Assistant Comptroller General, GAO; and Bruce Morrison, Chairman, Federal Housing Finance Board.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Commerce: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 3888, amended, Consumer Anti-Slamming and Spamming Prevention Act; H.R. 3783, amended, Child Online Protection Act; H.R. 563, amended, to establish a toll-free number in the Department of Commerce to assist consumers in determining if products are American-made; H.R. 4353, amended, International

Anti-Bribery and Fair Competition Act of 1998; H.R. 4321, amended, Financial Information Privacy Act of 1998; H.R. 3610, amended, National Oilheat Research Alliance Act of 1998; and H.R. 4081, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Arkansas.

IMPEDIMENTS TO UNION DEMOCRACY

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations, continued hearings on Impediments to Union Democracy, Part IV: Rank and File Rights at the American Radio Association. Testimony was heard from representatives of the American Radio Association.

FEHB PREMIUM INCREASES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Civil Service held a hearing on FEHB Premium Increases for 1999. Testimony was heard from William E. Flynn, III, Associate Director, Retirement and Insurance Services, OPM; and public witnesses.

DRAFT REPORTS

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Human Resources met to consider, but no action was taken on the following draft reports: "Fixing the Consumer Price Index: The Bureau of Labor Statistics Needs to Develop a Long Range, Systematic Approach to CPI Improvements"; "Early Head Start: Linking Early Childhood Programs to Success"; "Hepatitis C: Silent Epidemic, Mute Public Health Response"; and "Medicare Home Health Services: No Surety in the Fight Against Fraud and Waste".

POSTAL REFORM ACT

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Postal Service approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 22, Postal Reform Act of 1997.

U.S. POLICY TOWARD NORTH KOREA

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on U.S. Policy Toward North Korea. Testimony was heard from Ambassador Charles Kartman, Special Envoy for the Korean Peace Talks, Department of State; Kurt Campbell, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Asia and Pacific Affairs, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

WESTERN SAHARA REFERENDUM FUTURE

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Africa held a hearing on The Future of the Western Sahara Referendum. Testimony was heard from Ronald E. Neumann, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

DEFENSE HEALTH PROGRAM ADEQUACY

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Personnel held a hearing on the adequacy of the fiscal

year 1999 Defense health program. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Lt. Gen. Ronald Blanck, USA, Surgeon General, Department of the Army; Vice Adm. Richard Nelson, USN, Surgeon General, Department of the Navy; Lt. Gen. Charles Roadman, USAF, Surgeon General, Department of the Air Force; Rudy de Leon, Under Secretary (Personnel and Readiness); and William J. Lynn, III, Under Secretary (Comptroller/Chief Financial Officer).

OVERSIGHT—GRAND CANYON NATIONAL PARK

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands held an oversight hearing on Grand Canyon National Park. Testimony was heard from Robert Arnberger, Superintendent, Grand Canyon National Park, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

TAXPAYER RELIEF ACT; SAVE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule providing for the consideration of H.R. 4578, The Save Social Security Act, in the House without intervention of any point of order. The rule provides that the bill be considered as read and that the Committee on Ways and Means amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule provides for consideration, without intervention of any point of order, of an amendment printed in the Congressional Record and number 1, if offered by Representative Rangel or his designee, which shall be considered as read and shall be debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

The rule further provides for the consideration, without intervention of any point of order, of H.R. 4579, Taxpayer Relief Act of 1998, after the disposition of H.R. 4578. The rule provides that the bill be considered as read and that the Committee on Ways and Means amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill, as modified by the amendment printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying the resolution, shall be considered as adopted. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule provides for consideration, without intervention of any point of order, of an amendment printed in the Congressional Record and numbered 1, if offered by Representative Rangel or his designee, which shall be considered as read and shall be debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. The rule provides for one

motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule provides that in the engrossment of H.R. 4579, the Clerk shall add the text of H.R. 4578, as passed by the House, and that upon the addition of the text, H.R. 4578 shall be laid on the table. Testimony was heard from Chairman Archer and Representatives Neumann, Spratt, Stenholm, Maloney of Connecticut, Berry, Sanchez, and Stark.

RECIPROCAL TRADE AGREEMENT AUTHORITIES ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing two hours of debate on H.R. 2621, Reciprocal Trade Agreement Authorities Act. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means now printed in the bill, modified by the amendments printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution, be considered as adopted. The rule waives all points of order against the bill, as amended. Finally, the rule provides for one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Crane and Peterson of Minnesota.

AGRICULTURE DISASTER RELIEF AND MARKET LOSS ASSISTANCE ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing one hour of debate on H.R. 4168, Agriculture Disaster and Market Loss Assistance Act. The rule provides for consideration of the bill in the House without the intervention of any point of order. The rule provides one motion to recommit.

Y2K: WHAT EVERY CONSUMER SHOULD KNOW

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Technology and the Subcommittee on Government Management of the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight held a joint hearing on Y2K: What Every Consumer Should Know. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—MARITIME ADMINISTRATION PROGRAMS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held an oversight hearing on the Programs of the U.S. Maritime Administration. Testimony was heard from Clyde J. Hart, Jr., Administrator, Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation.

MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Economic Development approved for full Committee action the following: 9 lease resolutions; 4 courthouse construction resolutions; 1 site acquisition and design resolution; 1 repair and alteration resolution; and H.R. 4595, to redesignate a Fed-

eral building located in Washington, D.C., as the "Sidney R. Yates Federal Building".

2000 (Y2K) BIOMEDICAL DEVICE ISSUES— IMPACT ON DVA

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on 2000 (Y2K) biomedical device issues and their impact on the Department of Veterans Affairs. Testimony was heard from Joel C. Willemssen, Director, Civil Agencies Information Systems, Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO; Kenneth W. Kizer, M.D., Under Secretary, Health, Department of Veterans Affairs; John J. Callahan, Assistant Secretary, Management and Budget, Department of Health and Human Services; and a public witness.

Joint Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—ENERGY AND WATER

Conferees continued in evening session to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 4060, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

WIPO COPYRIGHT TREATY

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 2281, to amend title 17, United States Code, to implement the WIPO Copyright Treaty and the WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty, to provide limitation on copyright liability relating to material online, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

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Friday, September 25, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: One bill was introduced, as follows: S. 2520.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 3412, to amend and make technical corrections in title III of the Small Business Investment Act, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–347)

H.R. 3853, to promote drug-free workplace programs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–348)

H.R. 2402, to make technical and clarifying amendments to improve management of water-related facilities in the Western United States, with amendments.

H.R. 2411, to provide for a land exchange involving the Cape Cod National Seashore and to extend the authority for the Cape Cod National Seashore Advisory Commission.

H.R. 2623, to designate the United States Post Office located at 16250 Highway 603 in Kiln, Mississippi, as the "Ray J. Favre Post Office Building".

H.R. 2798, to redesignate the building of the United States Postal Service located at 2419 West Monroe Street, in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Nancy B. Jefferson Post Office Building".

H.R. 2799, to redesignate the building of the United States Postal Service located at 324 South Laramie Street, in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Reverend Milton R. Brunson Post Office Building".

H.R. 3687, to authorize prepayment of amounts due under a water reclamation project contract for the Canadian River Project, Texas, with an amendment.

H.R. 3808, to designate the United States Post Office located at 47526 Clipper Drive in Plymouth, Michigan, as the "Carl D. Pursell Post Office".

H.R. 3810, to designate the United States Post Office located at 202 Center Street in Garwood, New Jersey, as the "James T. Leonard, Sr. Post Office".

H.R. 3939, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 658 63rd Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "Edgar C. Campbell, Sr., Post Office Building".

H.R. 3999, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 5209 Greene Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "David P. Richardson, Jr., Post Office Building".

H.R. 4079, to authorize the construction of temperature control devices at Folsom Dam in California.

H.R. 4166, to amend the Idaho Admission Act regarding the sale or lease of school land.

S. 736, to convey certain real property within the Carlsbad Project in New Mexico to the Carlsbad Irrigation District, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 744, to authorize the construction of the Fall River Water Users District Rural Water System and authorize financial assistance to the Fall River Water Users District, a non-profit corporation, in the planning and construction of the water supply system, with amendments.

S. 777, to authorize the construction of the Lewis and Clark Rural Water System and to authorize assistance to the Lewis and Clark Rural Water System, Inc., a non-profit corporation, for planning and construction of the water supply system, with amendments.

S. 991, to make technical corrections to the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996.

S. 1175, to reauthorize the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area Citizen Advisory Commission for 10 additional years.

S. 1641, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to study alternatives for establishing a national historic trail to commemorate and interpret the history of women's rights in the United States, with an amendment.

S. 1960, to allow the National Park Service to acquire certain land for addition to the Wilderness Battlefield, as previously authorized by law, by purchase or exchange as well as by donation, with an amendment.

S. 2041, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the design, planning, and construction of the Willow Lake Natural Treatment System Project for the reclamation and reuse of water.

S. 2086, to revise the boundaries of the George Washington Birthplace National Monument, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2117, to authorize the construction of the Perkins County Rural Water System and authorize financial assistance to the Perkins County Rural Water System, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, in the planning and construction of the water supply system, with amendments.

S. 2133, to designate former United States Route 66 as "America's Main Street" and authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2136, to provide for the exchange of certain land in the State of Washington, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2140, to amend the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act of 1992 to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the design, planning, and construction of the Denver Water Reuse project.

S. 2142, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey the facilities of the Pine River Project, to allow jurisdictional transfer of lands between the Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, and the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, and the Bureau of Indian Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2239, to revise the boundary of Fort Matanzas Monument.

S. 2240, to establish the Adams National Historical Park in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, with amendments.

S. 2241, to provide for the acquisition of lands formerly occupied by the Franklin D. Roosevelt family at Hyde Park, New York.

S. 2246, to amend the Act which established the Frederick Law Olmsted National Historic Site, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, by modifying the boundary and for other purposes.

S. 2247, to permit the payment of medical expenses incurred by the U.S. Park Police in the performance of duty to be made directly by the National Park Service.

S. 2248, to allow for waiver and indemnification in mutual law enforcement agreements between the National Park Service and a state or political subdivision, when required by state law.

S. 2257, to reauthorize the National Historic Preservation Act, with amendments.

S. 2284, to establish the Minuteman Missile National Historic Site in the State of South Dakota, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2285, to establish a commission, in honor of the 150th Anniversary of the Seneca Falls Convention, to further protect sites of importance in the historic efforts to secure equal rights for women.

S. 2297, to provide for the distribution of certain publications in units of the National Park System under a sales agreement between the Secretary of the Interior and a private contractor, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2309, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into an agreement for the construction and operation of the Gateway Visitor Center at Independence National Historical Park.

S. 2310, to designate the United States Post Office located at 297 Larkfield Road in East Northport, New York, as the "Jerome Anthony Ambro, Jr. Post Office Building".

S. 2370, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at Tall Timbers Village Square, United States Highway 19 South, in Thomasville, Georgia, as the "Lieutenant Henry O. Flipper Station".

S. 2401, to authorize the addition of the Paoli Battlefield site in Malvern, Pennsylvania, to Valley Forge National Historical Park, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2404, to establish designations for United States Postal Service buildings located in Coconut Grove, Opa Locka, Carol City, and Miami, Florida.

S. 2468, to designate the Biscayne National Park visitor center as the Dante Fascell Visitor Center at Biscayne National Park, with an amendment.

S. 2500, to protect the sanctity of contracts and leases entered into by surface patent holders with respect to coalbed methane gas, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Measures Passed:

Wendell H. Ford National Air Transportation System Improvement Act: By 92 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 288), Senate passed H.R. 4057, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize programs of the Federal Aviation Administration, after striking all after the

enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 2279, Senate companion measure, as amended.

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Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators McCain, Stevens, Gorton, Hollings, and Ford. **Page 21984**

Food Safety and Inspection Service Employees: Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry was discharged from further consideration of S. 2511, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to pay employees of the Food Safety and Inspection Service working in establishments subject to the Federal Meat Inspection Act and the Poultry Products Inspection Act for overtime and holiday work performed by the employees, and the measure was then passed. **Page 22021**

Mammography Quality Standards Reauthorization Act: Senate passed H.R. 4382, to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend the program for mammography quality standards, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 22021**

Internet Tax Freedom Act—Cloture Filed: A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 442, to establish a national policy against State and local government interference with interstate commerce on the Internet or interactive computer services, and to exercise Congressional jurisdiction over interstate commerce by establishing a moratorium on the imposition of exactions that would interfere with the free flow of commerce via the Internet and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Tuesday, September 29, 1998. **Page 21987**

Legislative Branch Appropriations Conference Report: Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4112, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 22021**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

James M. Bodner, of Virginia, to be Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy.

Stephen W. Preston, of the District of Columbia, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Navy.

Herbert Lee Buchanan III, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Navy.

Jeh Charles Johnson, of New York, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Air Force.

Richard Danzig, of the District of Columbia, to be Secretary of the Navy.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of Chief of the Air Force Reserve, United States Air Force.

5 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

9 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.

42 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, Navy. **Pages 22020, 22024**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

George M. Langford, of New Hampshire, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2004.

Joseph A. Miller, Jr., of Delaware, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2004.

Maxine L. Savitz, of California, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2004.

Luis Sequeria, of Wisconsin, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2004.

Chang-Lin Tien, of California, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2004. **Page 22024**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—288) **Page 21965**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 1:28 p.m., until 12 noon, on Monday, September 28, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on pages 22021.)

Committee Meetings

MILITARY FORCES OPERATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on the world wide threat and status of United States military forces and potential operational requirements from Lt. Gen. Edward G. Anderson, Director, Strategic Plans and Policy, Maj. Gen. John Maher, Vice Director of Operations, and Rear Adm. Thomas R. Wilson, Director of Intelligence, all of the Joint Staff, Department of Defense.

Committee recessed subject to call.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Robert C. Randolph, of

Washington, to be Assistant Administrator for Asia and Near East Affairs, Agency for International Development, B. Lynn Pascoe, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Malaysia, and Diane Edith Watson, of California, to be Ambassador to the Federated States of Micronesia, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 1404, to establish a Federal Commission on Statistical Policy to study the reorganization of the Federal statistical system, to provide uniform safeguards for the confidentiality of information acquired for exclusively statistical purposes, and to improve the efficiency of Federal statistical programs and the quality of Federal statistics by permitting limited sharing of records among designated agencies for statistical purposes under strong safeguards, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

FOOD IMPORT SAFETY

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations concluded hearings to examine the safety of food imports, focusing on legislative, administrative and regulatory remedies, after receiving testimony from Timothy M. Hammonds, Food Marketing Institute, Stacey A. Zawel, Grocery Manufacturers of America, Dane T. Bernard, National Food Processors Association, Richard Levinson, American Public Health Association, Carol Tucker Foreman, Safe Food Coalition, and Robert Hahn, Public Voice for Food and Health Policy, all of Washington, D.C.; Nancy Nagle, United Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Association, Alexandria, Virginia; and Ruth Kava, American Council on Science and Health, New York, New York.

CAPITOL SECURITY

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee continued hearings in open and closed session to examine United States Capitol security issues, receiving testimony from Robert Gramling, Director for Corporate Audits and Standards Issues, Accounting and Information Management Division, General Accounting Office; Kenneth Lopez, Director of Security, Library of Congress; Alan M. Hantman, Architect of the Capitol; Gregory S. Casey, Sergeant at Arms, United States Senate; Wilson Livingood, Sergeant at Arms, U.S. House of Representatives; Gary Abrecht, Chief of Police, United States Capitol Police; and Joyce Doria and Jack Mayer, both of Booz, Allen & Hamilton, Falls Church, Virginia.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 19 public bills, H.R. 4627–4645; and 4 resolutions, H.J. Res. 130, H. Con. Res. 330, and H. Res. 555–556 were introduced. **Page 22308**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 4321, to protect consumers and financial institutions by preventing personal financial information from being obtained from financial institutions under false pretenses amended (H. Rept. 105–701 Part 2);

Conference report on H.R. 4103, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–746);

H.R. 3829, to amend the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949 to provide a process for agency employees to submit urgent concerns to Congress, amended (H. Rept. 105–747 Part 1);

H.R. 4081, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Arkansas (H. Rept. 105–748); and

Conference report on H.R. 4060, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–749).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Miller of Florida to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 22026**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Douglas Tanner of Washington, D.C. **Page 22026**

Save Social Security Act: The House passed H.R. 4578, to amend the Social Security Act to establish the Protect Social Security Account into which the Secretary of the Treasury shall deposit budget surpluses until a reform measure is enacted to ensure the long-term solvency of the OASDI trust funds, by a recorded vote of 240 yeas to 188 noes, Roll No. 464. **Page 22104**

Rejected:

The Rangel amendment in the nature of a substitute that transfers 100 percent of the Social Security Trust Fund surplus to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York to be held in trust for the Social Security system and requires that Congress default on publicly traded debt obligations before it defaults on its obligations to the Social Security system (rejected by a recorded vote of 210 yeas to 216 noes, Roll No. 463). **Page 22118**

H. Res. 552, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 215 yeas to 208 nays, Roll No. 462. Earlier, agreed to order the previous question by a yeas and nays vote of 219 yeas to 202 nays, Roll No. 461. **Page 22094**

Reciprocal Trade Agreement Authorities Act: The House failed to pass H.R. 2621, to extend trade authorities procedures with respect to reciprocal trade agreements, by a recorded vote of 180 ayes to 243 noes with 3 voting "present", Roll No. 466. **Page 22138**

H. Res. 553, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill, by agreed to by voice vote. Earlier, agreed to order the previous question by a yea and nay vote of 230 yeas to 193 nays, Roll No. 465. **Page 22128**

Late Reports: The Committee on Appropriations received permission to have until midnight tonight to file a conference report on H.R. 4060, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. The Committee on Education and the Workforce received permission to have until midnight tonight to file a conference report on H.R. 6, to extend the authorization of programs under the Higher Education Act of 1965. **Page 22180**

Consideration of Conference Reports: Agreed that it be in order on Monday, September 28, 1998, or any day thereafter to consider the conference reports on H.R. 4103, H.R. 4060, and H.R. 6; that all points of order be waived against each conference report and its consideration; and that each be considered as read when called up for consideration. **Page 22180**

Order of Procedure: Agreed by unanimous consent that during consideration of H.R. 4579 pursuant to H. Res. 552, notwithstanding the order of the previous question, it may be in order after 30 minutes of the 60 minutes provided for initial debate on the bill, as amended pursuant to the rule, for the Chair to postpone further consideration of the bill until the following legislative day, on which consideration may resume at a time designated by the Speaker. **Page 22179**

Taxpayer Relief Act: The House completed 30 minutes of debate on H.R. 4579, to provide tax relief for individuals, families, and farming and other small businesses, to provide tax incentives for education, to extend certain expiring provisions. Consideration will resume Saturday, September 26, 1998. **Page 22180**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate appear on pages 22026 and 22179.

Referral: S. 2071, to extend a quarterly financial report program administered by the Secretary of Commerce was referred to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight. **Page 22306**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea and nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 22102, 22103, 22127, 22128, 22137, and 22179. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FEDERAL HYDROELECTRIC RELICENSING PROCESS

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing on the Federal Hydroelectric Relicensing Process. Testimony was heard from Senator Craig; Douglas Smith, General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy; John Leshy, Solicitor, Department of the Interior; Robert Joslin, Deputy Chief, National Forest Service, Forest Service, USDA; Terry Garcia, Assistant Secretary, Oceans and Atmosphere, NOAA, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

WELFARE REFORM LAW—IMPLEMENTATION OF ABSTINENCE EDUCATION PROVISIONS

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Implementation of the Abstinence Education Provisions of the Welfare Reform Law. Testimony was heard from Peter Van Dyck, M.D., Acting Associate Director, Maternal and Child Health Bureau, Department of Health and Human Services; Claude Allen, Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, State of Virginia; and public witnesses.

AMERICAN WORKER PROJECT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on American Worker Project: Retailers and Manufacturers Concerning the Garment Industry. Testimony was heard from Assemblywoman Catherine Nolan, Chairwoman, Standing Committee on Labor, State of New York; and Larry Martin, President, American Apparel Manufacturers Association.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology began consideration of the following bills: H.R. 4620, the Statistical Consolidation Act of 1998; H.R. 2635, Human Rights Information Act; H.R. 3032, Construction Subcontractors Payment Protection Enhancement Act of 1998; and H.R. 4614, to provide for the conveyance of Federal land in New Castle, New Hampshire, to the Town of New Castle, New Hampshire, and to require the release of certain restrictions with respect to land in such town.

Will continue September 28.

VA OVERSIGHT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing on VA Oversight: The Impact of Restructuring on Health Care Quality. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Thomas Garthwaite, M.D., Deputy Under Secretary, Health;

Denis FitzGerald, M.D., Network Director, VISN-1; Bruce Woolette, D.D.S., Department of Dentistry and Jack Bachman, Department of Neurology, both with the Togus, Maine, VA Medical Center; and public witnesses.

INDEPENDENT COUNSEL COMMUNICATION— REDACTION OF AND WITHHOLDING OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS, RECORDS, AND MATERIALS

Committee on the Judiciary: Met in executive session and agreed to the redaction of and the withholding of certain documents, records, and materials received from the Independent Counsel, which would otherwise be required to be released on September 28, 1998.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law approved for full Committee action the following measures: S.J. Res. 51, granting the consent of Congress to the Potomac Highlands Airport Authority Compact entered into between the States of Maryland and West Virginia; and H.R. 4572, to clarify that governmental pension plans of the possessions of the United States shall be treated in the same manner as State pension plans for purposes of the limitation on the State income taxation of pension income.

Prior to this action, the Subcommittee held a hearing on S.J. Res. 51. Testimony was heard from Senator Sarbanes; Representative Bartlett of Maryland; and a public witness.

READINESS REALITIES

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Readiness, Subcommittee on Installations and Facilities, and the Subcommittee on Military Personnel held a joint hearing on readiness realities. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Vice Adm. Herbert A. Browne, Jr., II, USN, Commander, 3rd Fleet, U.S. Pacific Fleet; Gen. Richard E. Hawley, USAF, Commander, Air Combat Command; and Lt. Gen. Peter Pace, USMC, Commander, Marine Corps Forces Atlantic, Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force Atlantic, Marine Expeditionary Force; and Gen. David A. Bramlette, (USA, Ret.), former Commander, U.S. Army Forces Command.

TECHNOLOGY TRANSFERS TO CHINA

Select Committee on U.S. National Security and Military/Commercial Concerns with the People's Republic of China: Met in executive session to continue to receive briefings.

Joint Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—ENERGY AND WATER

Conferees on Thursday, September 24, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate-

and House-passed versions of H.R. 4060, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

Saturday, September 26, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. It will next meet on Monday, September 28, 1998, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 4 public bills, H.R. 4646–4649, were introduced. **Page 22487**

Reports Filed: No reports were filed today.

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Dr. Ronald Christian of Fairfax, Virginia. **Page 22331**

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Friday, September 25 by a yea and nay vote of 334 yeas to 50 nays with 2 voting "present", Roll No. 467. **Page 22331**

Taxpayer Relief Act: The House passed H.R. 4579, to provide tax relief for individuals, families, and farming and other small businesses, to provide tax incentives for education, and to extend certain expiring provisions, by a recorded vote of 229 yeas to 195 noes, Roll No. 469. Subsequently, pursuant to the rule, the text of H.R. 4578, Save Social Security Act, as passed the House, was added as new matter at the end of H.R. 4579. H.R. 4578 was then laid on the table. **Page 22332**

Rejected:

The Rangel amendment in the nature of a substitute, numbered 1 and printed in the Congressional Record, that contains the tax cuts as in the committee reported bill and establishes a trigger mechanism under which most of the tax cuts would not take effect until Congress enacts legislation to ensure the long-term solvency of Social Security. The trigger mechanism would not apply to the extension of expiring provisions and the increase in the earnings limitation on Social Security Benefits (re-

jected by a recorded vote of 197 ayes to 227 noes, Roll No. 468). **Page 22345**

Legislative Program: The Majority Leader announced the Legislative Program for the week of September 28. **Page 22372**

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea and nay vote and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 22331, 22370, and 22371. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 12:38 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held today.

Monday, September 28, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 22492–22557

Measures Introduced: Four bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2521–2524. **Page 22529**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 700, to remove the restriction on the distribution of certain revenues from the Mineral Springs parcel to certain members of the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–349)

S. 2351, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make corrections to a map relating to the Coastal Barrier Resources System, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 105–350)

S. 2469, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make technical corrections to a map relating to the Coastal Barrier Resources System, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 105–351)

S. 2470, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make technical corrections to a map relating to the Coastal Barrier Resources System, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–352)

S. 2474, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make corrections to certain maps relating to the Coastal Barrier Resources System, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 105–353)

S. 2505, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey title to the Tunnison Lab Hagerman Field Station in Gooding County, Idaho, to the University of Idaho, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 105–354)

H.R. 8, to amend the Clean Air Act to deny entry into the United States of certain foreign motor vehicles that

do not comply with State laws governing motor vehicles emissions. (S. Rept. No. 105–355) **Page 22529**

Measures Passed:

Year 2000 Information Disclosure Act: Senate passed S. 2392, to encourage the disclosure and exchange of information about computer processing problems, solutions, test practices and test results, and related matters in connection with the transition to the year 2000, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto: **Page 22550**

Roberts (for Hatch/Leahy/Kyl) Amendment No. 3669, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 22553**

Roberts (for Thompson) Amendment No. 3670 (to Amendment No. 3669), to provide for the establishment of working groups as a part of the President's Year 2000 Council. **Page 22553**

Convicted Persons Benefits: Senate passed H.R. 3096, to correct a provision relating to termination of benefits for convicted persons, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 22556**

Internet Tax Freedom Act: Senate considered the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 442, to establish a national policy against State and local government interference with interstate commerce on the Internet or interactive computer services, and to exercise Congressional jurisdiction over interstate commerce by establishing a moratorium on the imposition of exactions that would interfere with the free flow of commerce via the Internet. **Page 22556**

Senate will vote on the motion to close further debate on the bill on Tuesday, September 29, 1998.

Federal Vacancies Reform Act—Cloture Vote: By 53 yeas to 38 nays (Vote No. 289), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to agree to close further debate on S. 2176, to amend sections 3345 through 3349 of title 5, United States Code (commonly referred to as the "Vacancies Act") to clarify statutory requirements relating to vacancies in and appointments to certain Federal offices. **Page 22507**

Higher Education Authorizations Conference Report—Agreement: A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the conference report on H.R. 6, to extend the authorization of programs under the Higher Education Act of 1965, on Tuesday, September 29, 1998, with a vote to occur thereon. **Page 22526**

Defense Appropriations Conference Report—Agreement: A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the conference report on H.R. 4103, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, on Tuesday, September 29, 1998, with a vote to occur thereon. **Page 22526**

Treaty Approved: The following treaty having passed through its various parliamentary stages, up to and including the presentation of the resolution of ratification, upon division, two-thirds of the Senators present and having voted in the affirmative, the resolution of ratification was agreed to, with one declaration and two provisos:

Montreal Protocol No. 4 (formerly Treaty Doc. Ex. B, 95-1) Page 22547

Messages From the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the annual report of the Railroad Retirement Board for fiscal year 1997; referred to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources. (PM-160).

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Carl J. Barbier, of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana.

Gerald Bruce Lee, of Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia.

Patricia A. Seitz, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.

Steven Robert Mann, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Turkmenistan.

Elizabeth Davenport McKune, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the State of Qatar.

Melissa Foelsch Wells, of Connecticut, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Estonia.

Richard E. Hecklinger, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Thailand.

Theodore H. Kattouf, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the United Arab Emirates.

William B. Traxler, Jr., of South Carolina, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit.

Robert M. Walker, of Tennessee, to be Deputy Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Alex R. Munson, of the Northern Mariana Islands, to be Judge for the District Court for the Northern Mariana Islands for a term of ten years.

Edward J. Damich, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

Nancy B. Firestone, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

Emily Clark Hewitt, of Massachusetts, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today (Total—289) Page 22526

Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon, and adjourned at 6:49 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Tuesday, September 29, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 22557.)

Committee Meetings

DEFENSE FINANCE CONTROLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts concluded oversight hearings to examine the effectiveness of financial controls at the Department of Defense, focusing on recent internal fraudulent activities, after receiving testimony from Sharon A. Brown, Joseph A. Wise, and Otas J. Horn, each a Systems Accountant, Air Force Material Command, Wendell L. Jones, Auditor, Air Force Audit Agency, Jeffrey C. Steinhoff, Director of Planning and Reporting, and Gayle L. Fischer, Assistant Director of Defense Audits, both of the Accounting and Information Management Division, General Accounting Office, John S. Nabil, Director, Defense Finance and Accounting Service, and A. Ernest Fitzgerald, Management Systems Deputy, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force, all of the Department of Defense.

WENDELL H. FORD GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS REFORM ACT

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 2288, to provide for the reform and continuing legislative oversight of the production, procurement, dissemination, and permanent public access of the Government's publications, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 5 public bills, H.R. 4650-4654, and 3 resolutions, H. Res. 557-559, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 494, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States has enjoyed the loyalty of the United States citizens of Guam, and that the United States recognizes the centennial anniversary of the Spanish-American War as an opportune time for Congress to reaffirm its commitment to increase self-government consistent with self-determination for the people of Guam (H. Rept. 105-751);

H.R. 2943, to amend title 5, United States Code, to increase the amount of leave time available to a Federal employee in any year in connection with serving as an organ donor (H. Rept. 105-752);

H.R. 1608, to authorize the Pyramid of Remembrance Foundation to establish a memorial in the District of Columbia or its environs to soldiers who have died in foreign conflicts other than declared wars (H. Rept. 105-753); and

H. Res. 558, waiving a requirement of clause 4(b) of rule XI with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 105-754); and

H.R. 633, to amend the Foreign Service Act of 1980 to provide that the annuities of certain special agents and security personnel of the Department of State be computed in the same way as applies generally with respect to Federal law enforcement officers (H. Rept. 105-755 part 1). **Page 22654**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Petri to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 22558**

Recess: The House recessed at 11:12 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page 22563**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Nutria Eradication and Control Pilot Program: H.R. 4337, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide financial assistance to the State of Maryland for a pilot program to develop measures to eradicate or control nutria and restore marshland damaged by nutria; **Page 22565**

Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp Promotion Act: H.R. 4248, amended, to authorize the use of receipts from the sale of the Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamps to promote additional stamp purchases; **Page 22567**

Energy Conservation Reauthorization Act: H.R. 4017, amended, to extend energy conservation programs under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act through September 30, 2002. Subsequently, S. 417 was passed in lieu after being amended to contain the text of H.R. 4017. Agreed to amend the title. H.R. 4017 was laid upon the table; **Page 22569**

Hydroelectric Project in Arkansas: H.R. 4081, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable

to the construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Arkansas; **Page 22578**

Africa: Seeds of Hope Act: H.R. 4283, to support sustainable and road-based agricultural and rural development in sub-Saharan Africa; **Page 22578**

Designating Sidney R. Yates Federal Building: H.R. 4595, amended, to redesignate a Federal building located in Washington, D.C., as the "Sidney R. Yates Federal Building". Agreed to amend the title; **Page 22591**

Designating Richard C. White Federal Building: H.R. 3598, to designate the Federal building located at 700 East San Antonio Street in El Paso, Texas, as the "Richard C. White Federal Building"; **Page 22592**

Designating Jere Cooper Federal Building: H.R. 2730, to designate the Federal building located at 309 North Church Street in Dyersburg, Tennessee, as the "Jere Cooper Federal Building"; **Page 22594**

Designating Thurgood Marshall United States Courthouse: H.R. 2187, to designate the United States Courthouse located at 40 Foley Square in New York, New York, as the "Thurgood Marshall United States Courthouse"; **Page 22594**

Regarding Youth Performing Work with Wood Products: H.R. 4257, amended, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to permit certain youth to perform certain work with wood products; **Page 22596**

Drive for Teen Employment Act: H.R. 2327, amended, to provide for a change in the exemption from the child labor provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 for minors between 16 and 18 years of age who engage in the operation of automobiles and trucks. Agreed to amend the title. **Page 22599**

Suspensions—Failed: The House failed to pass H.R. 3891, amended, to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 to prohibit the unauthorized destruction, modification, or alteration of product identification codes (failed by a yeas and nay vote of 245 yeas to 167 nays with $\frac{2}{3}$ required for passage, Roll No. 470). **Pages 22584, 22623**

Defense Appropriations Conference Report: The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4103, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, by a yeas and nay vote of 369 yeas to 43 nays, Roll No. 471. **Pages 22602, 22624**

Energy and Water Development Conference Report: The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4060, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, by a yeas and nay vote of 389 yeas to 25 nays, Roll No. 472. **Pages 22609, 22624**

Bankruptcy Reform Act: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 3150, to amend title 11 of

the United States Code, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees from the Committee on the Judiciary for consideration of the House bill, the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Hyde, McCollum, Gekas, Goodlatte, Bryant, Chabot, Conyers, Nadler, Boucher, and Jackson-Lee of Texas. **Pages 22615, 22625**

Agreed to the Nadler motion to instruct conferees to agree to section 405 of the Senate amendment that prohibits creditors from terminating or refusing to renew an extension of credit because the consumer did not incur finance charges (agreed to by a recorded vote of 295 ayes to 119 noes, Roll No. 473). **Pages 22615, 22625**

Resolution Regarding Jacob Chestnut and John Gibson: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 317, expressing the sense of Congress that Members of Congress should follow the examples of self-sacrifice and devotion to character displayed by Jacob Chestnut and John Gibson of the United States Capitol Police. **Page 22626**

Higher Education Amendments: The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 6, to extend the authorization of programs under the Higher Education Act of 1965, by voice vote. **Page 22627**

Extending Quarterly Financial Report Program: The House passed S. 2071, to extend a quarterly financial report program administered by the Secretary of Commerce—clearing the measure for the President. **Page 22638**

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 29. **Page 22639**

Presidential Message—Railroad Retirement Board: Read a message from the President wherein he submitted his annual report of the Railroad Retirement Board for fiscal year 1997—referred to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure and Ways and Means. **Page 22639**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 22563.

Referral: S. 2511, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to pay employees of the Food Safety and Inspection Service working in establishments subject to the Federal Meat Inspection Act and the Poultry Products Inspection Act for overtime and holiday work performed by the employees, was referred to the Committees on Agriculture and Transportation and Infrastructure. **Page 22654**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea and nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 22623, 22624, and 22625. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

Committee Meetings

PROTECTING CONSUMERS AGAINST CRAMMING AND SPAMMING

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on Protecting Consumers Against Cramming and Spamming. Testimony was heard from Eileen Harrington, Associate Director Marketing Practices, Bureau of Consumer Protection, FTC; Lawrence E. Strickling, Deputy Bureau Chief, Common Carrier Bureau, FCC; Paula Selis, Senior Counsel, Office of Attorney General, State of Washington; and public witnesses.

AMERICAN WORKER PROJECT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on American Worker Project: Department of Labor—Financial Analysis and Management Accountability. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Labor: James McMullen, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of the Assistant Secretary, Administration and Management; Kenneth M. Bresnahan, Deputy Financial Officer, Office of the Chief Financial Officer; Bryan T. Keilty, Administrator, Office of Financial and Administrative Management; David C. Zeigler, Director, Administrative Programs (OSHA); and Patricia A. Dalton, Deputy Inspector General; and Carlotta C. Joyner, Director, Education and Employment Issues, GAO.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology approved for full Committee action amended the following bills: H.R. 4620, the Statistical Consolidation Act of 1998; H.R. 2635, Human Rights Information Act; and H.R. 4614, to provide for the conveyance of Federal land in New Castle, New Hampshire, to the Town of New Castle, New Hampshire, and to require the release of certain restrictions with respect to land in such town.

CAMBODIA: WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific held a hearing on Cambodia: Where Do We Go From Here? Testimony was heard from Ralph L. Boyce, Deputy Assistant Secretary, East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

HUMAN RIGHTS IN BURMA

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights and the Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific held a joint hearing on Human Rights in Burma. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Gare Smith, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor; and Ralph Boyce,

Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs; and public witnesses.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT—MEDAL OF HONOR

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Personnel held a hearing on awarding the Medal of Honor to Theodore Roosevelt. Testimony was heard from Representatives McHale and Lazio; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—GAO'S STUDY ON FOREST HEALTH

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held an oversight hearing on GAO's Office Study on Forest Health. Testimony was heard from Barry Hill, Associate Director, Energy, Resources and Science Issues, GAO; Janice McDougal, Associate Deputy Chief, State and Private Forestry, Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

WAIVING TWO-THIRDS VOTE RULE

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving clause 4(b) of rule XI (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against certain resolutions reported from the Rules Committee. The rule applies the waiver to a special rule reported on October 1, 1998, or October 2, 1998, providing for consideration or disposition of a conference report to accompany a bill or joint resolution making general appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, or any amendment reported in disagreement from a conference thereon.

REMOTE SENSING APPLICATIONS

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Basic Research held a hearing on Remote Sensing Applications as a Research and Management Tool. Testimony was heard from Rita R. Colwell, Director, NSF; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

Conferees continued in evening session to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 4101, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

APPROPRIATIONS—TREASURY/POSTAL SERVICE

Conferees continued in evening session to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 4104, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain independent agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 22679–22747

Measures Introduced: Seven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2525–2531, and S. Con. Res. 121. Page 22734

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 4342, to make miscellaneous and technical changes to various trade laws, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–356) Page 22734

Measures Passed:

Designation of Mark McGwire Interstate Route 70: Senate passed S. 2531, to designate a portion of Interstate Route 70 in Missouri as "Mark McGwire Interstate Route 70". Page 22746

INTERNET TAX FREEDOM ACT—CLOTURE VOTE: By 89 yeas to 6 nays (Vote No. 292), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 442, to establish a national policy against State and local government interference with interstate commerce on the Internet or interactive computer services, and to exercise Congressional jurisdiction over interstate commerce by establishing a moratorium on the imposition of exactions that would interfere with the free flow of commerce via the Internet. Pages 22695, 22714

HIGHER EDUCATION AUTHORIZATIONS—CONFERENCE REPORT: By a unanimous vote of 96 yeas (Vote No. 290), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 6, to extend the authorization of programs under the Higher Education Act of 1965, clearing the measure for the President. Pages 22679, 22695

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS—CONFERENCE REPORT: By 94 yeas to 2 nays (Vote No. 291), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4103, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, clearing the measure for the President. Page 22691

ENERGY AND WATER APPROPRIATIONS—CONFERENCE REPORT: Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4060, making appropriations for energy and water development programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, clearing the measure for the President. Page 22727

NORTH AMERICAN WETLANDS CONSERVATION ACT—AGREEMENT: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of

S. 1677, to reauthorize the North American Wetlands Conservation Act and the Partnerships for Wildlife Act.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Ira G. Peppercorn, of Indiana, to be Director of the Office of Multifamily Housing Assistance Restructuring.

Albert S. Jacquez, of California, to be Administrator of the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation for a term of seven years.

Ashish Sen, of Illinois, to be Director of the Bureau of Transportation Statistics, Department of Transportation, for the term of four years.

Jeffrey S. Merrifield, of New Hampshire, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for the term expiring June 30, 2002.

Isadore Rosenthal, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board for a term of five years.

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—292)

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Recess: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and recessed at 6:40 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, September 30, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 22746.)

Committee Meetings

MILITARY READINESS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings to examine the status of United States military forces and their ability to successfully execute the National Military Strategy, after receiving testimony from Gen. Henry H. Shelton, USA, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; Gen. Dennis J. Reimer, USA, Chief of Staff of the Army; Gen. Charles C. Krulak, USMC, Commandant of the Marine Corps; Adm. Jay L. Johnson, USN, Chief of Naval Operations; and Gen. Michael E. Ryan, USAF, Chief of Staff of the Air Force.

NATIONAL EXPORT STRATEGY

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine the Trade Promotion Coordinating Committee annual report on the status of the National Export Strategy, after receiving testimony from William M. Daley, Secretary of Commerce.

MIGRATORY BIRD TREATY REFORM ACT

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded hearings on H.R. 2863, to amend the Migratory Bird Treaty Act to clarify restrictions under that Act on baiting, and to facilitate acquisition of migratory bird habitats, after receiving testimony from Senators Cochran and Breaux; Kevin Adams, Chief, Office of Law Enforcement, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; Brent Manning, Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Springfield, on behalf of the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies; Douglas B. Inkley, National Wildlife Federation, Vienna, Virginia; Tanya K. Metaksa, National Rifle Association Institute for Legislative Action, Fairfax, Virginia; and Laura C. Hood, Defenders of Wildlife, Washington, D.C.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Simon Ferro, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Panama, and R. Rand Beers, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary of State for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Ferro was introduced by Senator Graham and Representative Diaz-Balart.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 1 public bill, H.R. 4655, was introduced.

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Reports Filed: No reports were filed today.

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Burr to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Meeting Hour—Thursday, October 1: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 1.

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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 22671.

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no quorum calls or recorded votes during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Committee Meetings

IMPROVING PRICE COMPETITION FOR MUTUAL FUNDS AND BONDS

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials held a hearing on Improving Price Competition for Mutual Funds and Bonds. Testimony was heard from Arthur Levitt, Jr., Chairman, SEC; and public witnesses.

HIV PARTNER PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment held a hearing on H.R. 4431, the HIV Partner Protection Act. Testimony was heard from Representatives Ackerman, Pelosi and Weldon of Florida; Helene Gayle, M.D., Director, National Center for HIA, STD and TB Prevention, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services; Assemblywoman Nettie Mayersohn, State of New York; Jean Flatley McQuire, Acting Director, HIV/AIDS Bureau, Associate Commissioner, Department of Public Health, State of Massachusetts; and public witnesses.

TEAMSTER'S ELECTION UPDATE

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Correcting Corruption: An Update on the Re-run of the 1996 Teamsters Election. Testimony was heard from Michael G. Cherkasky, Election Officer, International Brotherhood of Teamsters.

OVERSIGHT—RESEARCH IN NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARIES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans held an oversight hearing on research in National Marine Sanctuaries. Testimony was heard from Nancy Foster, Assistant Administrator, NOAA, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—GARRISON UNIT REFORMULATION; PERKINS COUNTY RURAL WATER SYSTEM ACT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power held an oversight hearing on Garrison Unit Reformulation. Testimony was heard from Senators Conrad and Dorgan; Representative Pomeroy; Eluid Martinez, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; Ed Schafer, Governor, North Dakota; John Dorso, Representative, State of North Dakota; Bruce Furness, Mayor, Fargo, North Dakota; Ronald Nargang, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Natural Resources, State of Minnesota; and public witnesses.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on H.R. 1213, Perkins County Rural Water System Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Eluid Martinez, Commissioner, Bu-

reau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; and a public witness.

U.S. SPACEPOWER IN THE 21ST CENTURY

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, the Subcommittee on Military Research and Development and the Subcommittee on Military Procurement, of the Committee on National Security held a joint hearing on U.S. Spacepower in the 21st Century. Testimony was heard from Keith Hall, Assistant Secretary, Air Force, Department of the Air Force; Daniel R. Mulville, Chief Engineer, NASA; and public witnesses.

AVIATION ISSUES RELATED TO YEAR 2000 COMPUTER PROBLEM Y2K

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology of the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight and the Subcommittee on Technology of the Committee on Science held a joint hearing to review Aviation Issues related to the Year 2000 Computer Problem Y2K: Will We Get There on Time? Testimony was heard from Jane F. Garvey, Administrator, FAA, Department of Transportation; John J. Kelly, Jr., Assistant Administrator, Weather Services, NOAA, Department of Commerce; former Representative William F. Clinger, Jr., of Pennsylvania; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—U.S. COAST GUARD'S DRUG INTERDICTION STRATEGY

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held an oversight hearing on the Overview of the U.S. Coast Guard's Drug Interdiction Strategy. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation: Adm. James M. Loy, Commandant; Comdr. Steve Ratti; Lt. Comdr. Joe Hester; Lt. David Bullock; and Boatswain's Mate First Class Robert Hoglund.

Joint Meetings

HEAD START/COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT/LOW-INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 2206, authorizing funds for programs of the Head Start Act, the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981, and the Community Services Block Grant Act, and to establish demonstration projects that provide an opportunity for persons with limited means to accumulate assets, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

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Measures Introduced: Three bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2532–2534 and S. Res. 283. **Page 22801**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1480, to authorize appropriations for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to conduct research, monitoring, education and management activities for the eradication and control of harmful algal blooms, including blooms of *Pfiesteria piscicida* and other aquatic toxins, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–357)

S. 2120, to improve the ability of Federal agencies to license federally-owned inventions, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 105–358) **Page 22801**

Measures Passed:

North American Wetlands Conservation Act: Senate passed S. 1677, to reauthorize the North American Wetlands Conservation Act and the Partnerships for Wildlife Act, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 22808**

Shelby (for Chafee) Amendment No. 3673, to designate a member of the North American Wetlands Conservation Council and to require the Secretary of the Interior to publish a policy for making certain appointments to the Council. **Page 22811**

Federal Employees Health Care Protection Act: Senate passed H.R. 1836, to amend chapter 89 of title 5, United States Code, to improve administration of sanctions against unfit health care providers under the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program, after agreeing to committee amendments. **Page 22813**

Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act: Committee on Veterans' Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4110, to provide a cost-of-living adjustment in rates of compensation paid to veterans with service-connected disabilities, and to make various improvements in education, housing, and cemetery programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 2273, Senate companion measure, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 22816**

Subsequently, S. 2273 was placed back on the Senate calendar. **Page 22816**

Small Business Investment Company Technical Corrections Act: Senate passed H.R. 3412, to amend the

Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 to provide for a pilot loan guarantee program to address Year 2000 problems of small business concerns and to improve the programs of the Small Business Administration, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 22816**

Shelby (for Bond) Amendment No. 3674, relating to small business Federal contract set-asides. **Page 22823**

Internet Tax Freedom Act: Senate considered the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 442, to establish a national policy against State and local government interference with interstate commerce on the Internet or interactive computer services, and to exercise Congressional jurisdiction over interstate commerce by establishing a moratorium on the imposition of exactions that would interfere with the free flow of commerce via the Internet. **Pages 22772, 22797**

Subsequently, by unanimous-consent agreement, the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill was agreed to, the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation amendment in the nature of a substitute was agreed to, and the Committee on Finance amendment in the nature of a substitute was agreed to. **Page 22797**

Also, a unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and amendments to be proposed thereto, on Thursday, October 1, 1998. **Page 22830**

DOD Authorizations Conference Report: Senate began consideration of the conference report on H.R. 3616, to authorizations appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, and to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1999. **Pages 22789, 22830**

A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the conference report on Thursday, October 1, 1998, with a vote to occur thereon. **Page 22789**

Richard C. Lee United States Courthouse: Senate concurred in the amendments of the House to S. 1355, to designate the United States courthouse located at 141 Church Street in New Haven, Connecticut, as the "Richard C. Lee United States Courthouse", clearing the measure for the President. **Page 22816**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Kenneth W. Kizer, of California, to be Under Secretary for Health of the Department of Veterans Affairs for a term of four years.

Richard A. Grafmeyer, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Social Security Advisory Board for the remainder of the term expiring September 30, 2000.

Gerald M. Shea, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Social Security Advisory Board for a term expiring September 30, 2004.

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Recess: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and recessed at 5:53 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Thursday, October 1, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 22830.)	

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will next meet on October 1.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 22833–22930

Measures Introduced: Six bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2535–2540, S.J. Res. 58–60, and S. Con. Res. 122–123. **Page 22903**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 3809, to authorize appropriations for the United States Customs Service for fiscal years 1999 and 2000, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–359)

S. 555, to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to require that at least 85 percent of funds appropriated to the Environmental Protection Agency from the Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund be distributed to States to carry out cooperative agreements for undertaking corrective action and for enforcement of subtitle I of that Act, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–360)

H.R. 1949, for the relief of Nuratu Olarewaju Abeke Kadiri.

S. Res. 283, to refer H.R. 998 entitled "A bill for the relief of Lloyd B. Gamble" to the chief judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a report thereon.

S. 1171, for the relief of Janina Altagracia Castillo-Rojas and her husband, Diogenes Patricio Rojas, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1720, to amend title 17, United States Code, to reform the copyright law with respect to satellite retransmissions of broadcast signals, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1916, for the relief of Marin Turcinovic, and his fiancée, Corina Dechalup.

S. 1926, for the relief of Regine Beatrice Edwards.

S. 1961, for the relief of Suchada Kwong.

S. 2099, to provide for enhanced Federal sentencing guidelines for counterfeiting offenses, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2476, for the relief of Wei Jengsheng, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2516, to make improvements in the operation and administration of the Federal courts.

S. 2524, to codify without substantive change laws related to Patriotic and National Observances, Ceremonies, and Organizations and to improve the United States Code.

S. 2536, to protect the safety of United States nationals and the interests of the United States at home and abroad, to improve global cooperation and responsiveness to international crime and terrorism, and to more effectively deter international crime and acts of violence. **Page 22902**

Measures Passed:

King Cove Health and Safety Act: By 59 yeas to 38 nays (Vote No. 294), Senate passed S. 1092, to provide for a transfer of land interests in order to facilitate surface transportation between the cities of Cold Bay, Alaska, and King Cove, Alaska, after taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Page 22862**

Adopted:

Murkowski Amendment No. 3676, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 22863**

Automated Entry-Exit Control System: Senate passed S. 2540, to extend the date by which an automated entry-exit control system must be developed. **Page 22922**

Recognizing Inspectors General: Senate passed S.J. Res. 58, recognizing the accomplishments of Inspectors General since their creation in 1978 in preventing and detecting waste, fraud, abuse, and mismanagement, and in promoting economy, efficiency, and effectiveness in the Federal Government. **Page 22928**

Commission on the Advancement of Women in Science, Engineering, and Technology Development:

Senate passed H.R. 3007, to establish the Commission on the Advancement of Women in Science, Engineering, and Technology Development, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 22929**

Technical Corrections: Senate passed H.R. 4068, to make certain technical corrections in laws relating to Native Americans, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 22929**

Internet Tax Freedom Act: Senate began consideration of S. 442, to establish a national policy against State and local government interference with interstate commerce on the Internet or interactive computer services, and to exercise Congressional jurisdiction over interstate commerce by establishing a moratorium on the imposition of exactions that would interfere with the free flow of commerce via the Internet. **Page 22893**

Pursuant to the order of September 30, 1998, the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation amendment in the nature of a substitute was agreed to, and the Committee on Finance amendment in the nature of a substitute was agreed to. **Page 22896**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Friday, October 2, 1998.

DOD Authorizations—Conference Report: By 96 yeas to 2 nays (Vote No. 293), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 3616, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of the Department of Defense, and to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1999, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages 22833, 22860**

Financial Services Act—Cloture Filed: A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 10, to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, and other financial service providers and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Monday, October 5, 1998. **Page 22862**

Ocean Shipping Reform Act: Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to S. 414, to amend the Shipping Act of 1984 to encourage competition in international shipping and growth of United States exports, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 22922**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Harry J. Bowie, of Mississippi, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Consumer Cooperative Bank for a term of three years.

Phyllis K. Fong, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Small Business Administration. **Page 22930**

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—294) **Pages 22861, 22892**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 6:58 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, October 2, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 22929.)

Committee Meetings

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nomination of Michael M. Reyna, of California, to be a Member of the Farm Credit Administration Board, Farm Credit Administration; and

S. 2116, to clarify and enhance the authorities of the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Agriculture, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

NATIONAL SECURITY

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings to examine the current state of Department of Energy national security programs, and proposed reforms thereto, after receiving testimony from Bill Richardson, Secretary of Energy.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nominations of Robert Clarke Brown, of Ohio, John Paul Hammerschmidt, of Arkansas, and Norman Y. Mineta, of California, each to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, Eugene A. Conti, Jr., of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary for Transportation Policy, and Peter J. Basso, Jr., of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary for Budget and Programs, both of the Department of Transportation, and nominations for promotion in the United States Coast Guard.

H.R. 1903, to amend the National Institute of Standards and Technology Act to enhance the ability of the National Institute of Standards and Technology to improve computer security;

S. 2238, to reform unfair and anticompetitive practices in the professional boxing industry, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1427, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to require the Federal Communications Commission to preserve low power television stations that provide community broadcasting, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 2326, to require the Federal Trade Commission to prescribe regulations to protect the privacy of personal information collected from and about children on the Internet, and to provide greater parental control over the collection and use of that information, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

Also, committee began consideration of S. 2519, to promote and enhance public safety through use of 9-1-1 as the universal emergency assistance number, further deployment of wireless 9-1-1 service, support of States in upgrading 9-1-1 capabilities and related functions, encouragement of construction and operation of seamless, ubiquitous and reliable networks for personal wireless services, and ensuring access to Federal Government property for such networks, S. 2365, to amend the Communications Satellite Act of 1962 to promote competition and privatization in satellite communications, and S. 2507, to stimulate increased domestic cruise ship opportunities for the American cruising public by temporarily reducing barriers for entry into the domestic cruise ship trade, but did not complete action thereon, and the bills were subsequently withdrawn.

SATELLITE TV ACCESS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings on S. 2494, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to enhance the ability of direct broadcast satellite and other multichannel video providers to compete effectively with cable television systems, after receiving testimony from Charles C. Hewitt, Satellite Broadcasting and Communications Association, Alexandria, Virginia; Gene Kimmelman, Consumers Union, Washington, D.C.; K. James Yager, Benedek Broadcasting Corporation, Rockford, Illinois; and Andrew J. Fisher, Cox Broadcasting Company, Atlanta, Georgia.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Eljay B. Bowron, of Michigan, to be Inspector General, Department of the Interior, and Rose Eilene Gottemoeller, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Non-Proliferation and National Security, and David Michaels, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary for Environment, Safety and Health, both of the Department of Energy, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Ms. Gottemoeller was introduced by Senators Domenici and Bingaman.

CABIN FEES/LAND EXCHANGE

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management concluded hearings to examine the Forest Service cabin fee system which

allows for the private use of National Forest System lands, and on S. 2513, to transfer administrative jurisdiction over certain Federal land located within or adjacent to Rogue River National Forest and to clarify the authority of the Bureau of Land Management to sell and exchange other Federal land in Oregon, S. 2413, to provide for the development of a management plan for the Woodland Lake Park tract in Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest in the State of Arizona reflecting the current use of the tract as a public park, and S. 2402, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain lands in San Juan County, New Mexico, to San Juan College, after receiving testimony from Senator Bob Smith; Sandra H. Key, Associate Deputy Chief, Programs and Legislation, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Cindy Banzer, Oregon Forest Homeowners Association, Portland; Mary Clarke Ver Hoef, National Forest Homeowners, Sacramento, California; David R. Mead, Sawtooth Forest Cabin Owners' Association, Twin Falls, Idaho; Paul R. Allman, American Land Rights Association, Berkeley, California; and Paula Wonnacott, Rock Springs, Wyoming.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Greta Joy Dicus, of Arkansas, and Jeffrey S. Merrifield, of New Hampshire, each to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Ms. Dicus was introduced by Senator Bumpers, and Mr. Merrifield was introduced by Senator Bob Smith.

REGIONAL HAZE/MERCURY POLLUTION

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Clean Air, Wetlands, Private Property, and Nuclear Safety concluded hearings to examine the state of current scientific understanding regarding the effects of mercury pollution on humans, and the Environmental Protection Agency's progress toward developing a rule to address the problem of regional haze within National Park areas, after receiving testimony from Senator Leahy; John S. Seitz, Director, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Office of Air and Radiation, and William H. Farland, Director, National Center for Environmental Assessment, both of the Environmental Protection Agency; Barry L. Johnson, Assistant Surgeon General/Assistant Administrator, Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, Department of Health and Human Services; Colorado State Senator Donald Ament, Denver; Dianne R. Nielson, Utah Department of Environmental Quality, Salt Lake City; John Paul Woodley Jr., Virginia Secretary of Natural Resources, Richmond; C. Mark Smith, Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, Boston, on behalf of the New England Governors and Eastern Canadian Premiers Mercury Task Force; Shawn B. Kendall, Phelps Dodge Corporation, Phoenix, Arizona; Tim Eder, Great

Lakes Natural Resource Center/National Wildlife Federation, Ann Arbor, Michigan; Leonard Levin, Electric Power Research Institute, Palo Alto, California; and Gary Myers, University of Rochester, Rochester, New York.

PARENTAL ABDUCTION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings to examine the United States response to certain cases of international parental abduction, focusing on proposals to coordinate better diplomatic and law enforcement efforts to assist parents seeking the return of their children, after receiving testimony from Janet Reno, Attorney General, Department of Justice; Lady Catherine I. Meyer, British Embassy, Washington, D.C.; Thomas R. Sylvester, Cincinnati, Ohio; Thomas A. Johnson, Alexandria, Virginia; and Paul Marinkovich, Simi Valley, California.

POSTAL SERVICE

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services concluded oversight hearings to examine the annual report of the United States Postal Service, after receiving testimony from William J. Henderson, Postmaster General, United States Postal Service.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

An original bill (S. 2536) to protect the safety of United States nationals and the interests of the United States at home and abroad, to improve global cooperation and responsiveness to international crime and terrorism, and to more effectively deter international crime and acts of violence;

S. 1720, to amend title 17, United States Code, to reform the copyright law with respect to satellite retransmissions of broadcast signals, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2524, to codify without substantive change laws related to Patriotic and National Observances, Ceremonies, and Organizations and to improve the United States Code;

S. Res. 283, to refer H.R. 998 entitled "A bill for the relief of Lloyd B. Gamble" to the chief judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a report thereon;

S. 1171, for the relief of Janina Altagracia Castillo-Rojas and her husband, Diogenes Patricio Rojas, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1926, for the relief of Regine Beatie Edwards;

S. 1961, for the relief of Suchada Kwong;

H.R. 1949, for the relief of Nuratu Olarewaju Abeke Kadiri;

S. 1916, for the relief of Marin Turcinovic, and his fiancée, Corina Dechalup;

S. 2476, for the relief of Wei Jengsheng, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 2516, to make improvements in the operation and administration of the Federal courts.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of David O. Carter, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, Robert S. Lasnik, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Washington, Anabelle Rodriguez, to be United States District Judge for the District of Puerto Rico, Margaret B. Seymour, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina, and Aleta A. Trauger, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Tennessee, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Carter was introduced by Senator Feinstein and Representatives Cox and Sanchez, Mr. Lasnik was introduced by Senators Gorton and Murray, Ms. Rodriguez was introduced by Representative Velazquez, Ms. Seymour was introduced by Senators Thurmond and Hollings, and Ms. Trauger was introduced by Senators Thompson and Frist.

CAPITOL SECURITY

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee resumed closed hearings to examine United States Capitol security issues, receiving testimony from Wilson Livingood, Sergeant at Arms, U.S. House of Representatives; Gregory S. Casey, Sergeant at Arms, United States Senate; Alan M. Hantman, Architect of the Capitol; and Kenneth Lopez, Director of Security, Library of Congress.

NATIVE AMERICAN BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on S. 2010, to provide for business development and trade promotion for Native Americans, after receiving testimony from Daniel J. McLaughlin, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Operations, U.S. and Foreign Commercial Service; Michael J. Anderson, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs, and Dominic Nessi, Acting Director, Office of Economic Development, both of the Department of the Interior; and Patrick Borunda, Oregon Native American Business Entrepreneurial Network, Portland, Oregon.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 2097, to encourage and facilitate the resolution of conflicts involving Indian tribes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

BUSINESS MEETING

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to consider pending committee business, but made no announcements, and recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 22 public bills, H.R. 4656–4677; 1 private bill, H.R. 4678; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 331, and H. Res. 561, 562, 565, and 566, were introduced. **Page 23018**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 4280, to provide for greater access to child care services for Federal employees, amended (H. Rept. 105–756 Part 1);

H.R. 2566, to amend title 5, United States Code, to expand the class of individuals under the Civil Service Retirement System eligible to elect the option under which the deposit which is normally required in connection with a refund previously taken may instead be made up through an actuarially equivalent annuity reduction, amended (H. Rept. 105–757);

H. Res. 560, providing for consideration of H.R. 3789, to amend title 28, United States Code, to enlarge Federal Court jurisdiction over purported class actions (H. Rept. 105–758);

H.R. 563, to establish a toll free number in the Department of Commerce to assist consumers in determining if products are American-made, amended (H. Rept. 105–759);

Conference report on H.R. 4104, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–760);

H. Res. 563, waiving points of order against the conference report on H.R. 4104, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Res. 105–761); and

H. Res. 564, providing for consideration of H.R. 4274, making appropriations for the Department of Labor, Health, and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–762). **Pages 22955, 23018**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Ewing to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 22931**

Re-referral of a Bill: H.R. 2349, to redesignate the Federal building located at 10301 South Compton Avenue, in Los Angeles, California, and known as the Watts Finance Office, as the "Augustus F. Hawkins Post Office Building" was re-referred to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight. **Page 22933**

Same Day Consideration of Certain Rules Committee Resolutions: The House agreed to H. Res. 558, waiving a requirement of clause 4(b) of rule XI with respect to

consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules. **Page 22934**

Recess: The House recessed at 3:53 p.m. and reconvened at 4:33 p.m. **Page 22944**

WIC Reauthorization Amendments: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 3874, to amend the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 to make improvements to the special supplemental nutrition program for women, infants, and children and to extend the authority of that program through fiscal year 2003, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees for consideration of the House bill, and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Goodling, Riggs, Castle, Clay, and Martinez. Appointed as conferees from the Committee on Agriculture for consideration of sections 2, 101, 104(b), 106, 202(c) and 202(o) of the House bill, and sections 101, 111, 114, 203(c), 203(r) and titles III and IV of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Smith of Oregon, Goodlatte, and Stenholm. **Page 22944**

National Center for Missing and Exploited Children: The House insisted upon its amendments to S. 2073, to authorize appropriations for the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, and asked for a conference, by a ye and nay vote of 376 yeas to 36 nays, Roll No. 474. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Goodling, Castle, Souder, Hyde, McCollum, Hutchinson, Martinez, Scott, Conyers, and Jackson-Lee of Texas. **Page 22944**

Recess: The House recessed at 4:40 p.m. and reconvened at 5:02 p.m. **Page 22945**

Automated Entry-Exit Control System: The House passed H.R. 4658, to extend the date by which an automated entry-exit control system must be developed. **Page 22946**

Year 2000 Information Disclosure Act: The House passed S. 2392, to encourage the disclosure and exchange of information about computer processing problems, solutions, test practices and test results, and related matters in connection with the transition to the year 2000—clearing the measure for the President. **Page 22946**

Treasury, Postal Service Appropriations Conference Report: The House failed to agree to H. Res. 563, the rule waiving points of order against consideration of the conference report on H.R. 4104, making Appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 by ye and nay vote of 106 yeas to 294 nays, Roll No. 476. **Page 22999**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 22931.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 23020.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 22945 and 23006. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2:00 p.m. and adjourned at 10:22 p.m.

Committee Meetings

HEDGE FUND OPERATIONS

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Held an oversight hearing on Hedge Fund Operations. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Federal Reserve System: Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors; and William J. McDonough, President, New York Federal Reserve Bank; Donna Tanoue, Chairman, FDIC; Brooksley Born, Chairperson, Commodity Futures Trading Commission; Julie Williams, Acting Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury; Richard Lindsey, Director, Division of Market Regulation, SEC; and public witnesses.

COMPACTS OF FREE ASSOCIATION

Committee on Resources: and the Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific of the Committee on International Relations held a joint oversight hearing on Compacts of Free Association with the Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, and Palau. Testimony was heard from Stanley Roth, Assistant Secretary, East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State; Allen P. Stayman, Director, Office of Insular Affairs, Department of the Interior; Kurt M. Campbell, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of Defense; Phillip Muller, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Republic of the Marshall Islands; Ambassador Hersey Kyota, Republic of Palau; and Asterio R. Takesy, Executive Director, Joint Committee on Compact Economic Negotiations, Federated States of Micronesia.

CONFERENCE REPORT—TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE, GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 4104, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard from Representatives Kolbe and Hoyer.

CLASS ACTION JURISDICTION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 3789, Class Action Jurisdiction Act of 1998. The rule makes in order as an original bill for the purpose of amendment the Judiciary

Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the bill, and provides that each section will be considered as read. The rule provides priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone recorded votes and reduces the voting time to five minutes, providing that the minimum time for voting on the first in any series of votes is not less than 15 minutes. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Bryant, Coble, Frank of Massachusetts and Jackson-Lee.

LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule on H.R. 4272, making appropriations for the Department of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 providing ninety minutes of general debate to be equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives clause 2 (prohibiting unauthorized and legislative provisions in an appropriations bill) and clause 6 (prohibiting reappropriations in an appropriations bill) of rule XXI against provisions in the bill except as otherwise specified in the rule. The rule makes in order those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report which may only be offered by the Member designated, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment except as specified in the report, and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows for the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce votes to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Istook and Greenwood.

OVERSIGHT—NASA AT 40

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics held an oversight hearing on NASA at 40: What kind of space program does America need for the 21st century? Testimony was heard from Daniel S. Goldin, Administrator, NASA; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate-and House-passed versions of H.R. 3694, to au-

thorize funds for fiscal year 1999 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and recessed subject to call.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

SECOND SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House.

The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 27 through September 30, 1998

	<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Days in session	127	99	..
Time in session	1,000 hrs., 46'	839 hrs., 47'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	11,210	9,188	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	1,848	..
Public bills enacted into law	29	58	87
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	..	..
Bills in conference	22	13	..
Measures passed, total	280	456	736
Senate bills	79	38	..
House bills	79	218	..
Senate joint resolutions	3	1	..
House joint resolutions	3	5	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	23	9	..
House concurrent resolutions	17	41	..
Simple resolutions	76	144	..
Measures reported, total	*316	*325	641
Senate bills	215	5	..
House bills	67	208	..
Senate joint resolutions	7	..	..
House joint resolutions	1	4	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	8	..	..
House concurrent resolutions	1	9	..
Simple resolutions	17	99	..
Special reports	16	9	..
Conference reports .....	..	14	..
Measures pending on calendar	316	83	..
Measures introduced, total	1,157	1,946	3,103
Bills	969	1,567	..
Joint resolutions	18	24	..
Concurrent resolutions	51	130	..
Simple resolutions	119	225	..
Quorum calls	4	13	..
Yea-and-nay votes	292	199	..
Recorded votes .....	..	261	..
Bills vetoed	1	2	..
Vetoes overridden	1	22	..

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 27 through September 30, 1998

Civilian nominations, totaling 428 (including 124 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	192
Unconfirmed	212
Withdrawn	24
Other civilian nominations, totaling 1,532 (including 86 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	721
Unconfirmed	811
Air Force nominations, totaling 6,091 (including 21 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	6,067
Unconfirmed	24
Army nominations, totaling 5,480 (including 2 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	3,773
Unconfirmed	1,707
Navy nominations, totaling 5,051 (including 4 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	5,040
Unconfirmed	11
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 1,847, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,846
Unconfirmed	1

Summary

Total Nominations carried over from First Session	237
Total Nominations received this Session	20,192
Total Confirmed	17,639
Total Unconfirmed	2,766
Total Withdrawn	24

*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 198 reports have been filed in the Senate, a total of 348 reports have been filed in the House.

Friday, October 2, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 23048–23147

Measures Introduced: Seven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2541–2547 and S. Res. 284.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1419, to deem the activities of the Miccosukee Tribe on the Tamiami Indian Reserve to be consistent with the purposes of the Everglades National Park, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–361)

S. 2358, to provide for the establishment of a service-connection for illnesses associated with service in the Persian Gulf War, to extend and enhance certain health care authorities relating to such service, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 105–362)

S. 1905, to provide for equitable compensation for the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–363)

S. 2217, to provide for continuation of the Federal research investment in a fiscally sustainable way, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–364)

H.R. 81, to designate the United States courthouse located at 401 South Michigan Street in South Bend, Indiana, as the "Robert K. Rodibaugh United States Bankruptcy Courthouse".

H.R. 2225, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse to be constructed on Las Vegas Boulevard between Bridger Avenue and Clark Avenue in Las Vegas, Nevada, as the "Lloyd D. George Federal Building and United States Courthouse".

H.R. 2379, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 251 North Main Street in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, as the "Hiram H. Ward Federal Building and United States Courthouse".

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H.R. 3696, to designate the Federal Courthouse located at 316 North 26th Street in Billings, Montana, as the "James F. Battin Federal Courthouse".

H.R. 3982, to designate the Federal building located at 310 New Bern Avenue in Raleigh, North Carolina, as the "Terry Sanford Federal Building".

H.R. 4595, to redesignate a Federal building located in Washington, D.C., as the "Sidney R. Yates Federal Building".

S. 2523, to designate the Federal building located at 300 East 8th Street in Austin, Texas, as the "J.J. 'Jake' Pickle Federal Building".

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Measures Passed:

Dutch John Federal Property Disposition and Assistance Act: Senate passed S. 890, to dispose of certain Federal properties located in Dutch John, Utah, to assist the local government in the interim delivery of basic services to the Dutch John community, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Irrigation Project Contract Extension Act: Senate passed S. 1398, to extend certain contracts between the Bureau of Reclamation and irrigation water contractors in Wyoming and Nebraska that receive water from Glenda Reservoir, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

Pages 23113, 23117

Arkansas Hydroelectric Project Extension: Senate passed S. 2171, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Arkansas.

Pages 23113, 23118

Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act: Senate passed H.R. 449, to provide for the orderly disposal of certain Federal lands in Clark County, Nevada, and to provide for the acquisition of environmentally sensitive lands in the State of Nevada, clearing the measure for the President.

Pages 23113, 23118

Granite Watershed Enhancement and Protection Act: Senate passed H.R. 2886, A bill to provide for a demonstration project in the Stanislaus National Forest, California, under which a private contractor will perform multiple resource management activities for that unit of the National Forest System, after agreeing to a committee amendment.

Pages 23113, 23118

Rogue River National Forest Conveyance: Senate passed H.R. 3796, A bill to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey the administrative site for the Rogue River National Forest and use the proceeds for the construction or improvement of offices and support buildings for the Rogue River National Forest and the Bureau of Land Management, after agreeing to a committee amendment.

Pages 23113, 23118

Coastal Heritage Trail Route: Senate passed S. 1016, to authorize appropriations for the Coastal Heritage Trail Route in New Jersey.

Pages 23113, 23118

Lower East Side Tenement National Historic Site Act: Senate passed S. 1408, to establish the Lower East Side Tenement National Historic Site. Pages 23113, 23119

Fort Davis National Historic Site Expansion: Senate passed S. 1990, to authorize expansion of Fort Davis National Historic Site in Fort Davis, Texas.

Pages 23113, 23119

Little Rock Central High School National Historic Site: Senate passed S. 2232, to establish the Little Rock Central High School National Historic Site in the State of Arkansas, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

Pages 23113, 23119

National Park Fees: Senate passed S. 1333, to amend the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 to allow national park units that cannot charge an entrance or admission fee to retain other fees and charges, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

Pages 23113, 23120

Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor Act Amendments: Senate passed S. 1665, to reauthorize the Delaware and Lehigh Navigation Canal National Heritage Corridor Act, after agreeing to committee amendments.

Pages 23113, 23120

Hawaii Volcanoes National Park Adjustment Act: Senate passed S. 2129, to eliminate restrictions on the acquisition of certain land contiguous to Hawaii Volcanoes National Park.

Pages 23113, 23121

Sudbury, Assabet, and Concord Wild and Scenic Rivers Act: Senate passed S. 469, to designate a portion of the Sudbury, Assabet, and Concord Rivers as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, after agreeing to a committee amendment.

Pages 23113, 23122

Grant-Kohrs Ranch National Historic Site: Senate passed S. 2272, to amend the boundaries of Grant-Kohrs Ranch National Historic Site in the State of Montana.

Pages 23113, 23123

Weir Farm National Historic Site: Senate passed S. 1718, to amend the Weir Farm National Historic Site Establishment Act of 1990 to authorize the acquisition of additional acreage for the historic site to permit the development of visitor and administrative facilities and to authorize the appropriation of additional amounts for the acquisition of real and personal property, after agreeing to a committee amendment.

Pages 23113, 23123

Arches National Park Expansion Act: Senate passed S. 2106, to expand the boundaries of Arches National Park, Utah, to include portions of certain drainages that are under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management, and to include a portion of Fish Seep Draw owned by the State of Utah, after agreeing to a committee amendment.

Pages 23113, 23123

Glacier Bay National Park Boundary Adjustment Act: Senate passed H.R. 3903, to provide for an exchange of lands located near Gustavus, Alaska, clearing the measure for the President.

Pages 23113, 23124

Gallatin Land Consolidation Act: Senate passed H.R. 3381, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to exchange land and other assets with Big Sky Lumber Co.

Pages 23113, 23124

National Historic Trails Interpretive Center—Wyoming: Senate passed H.R. 2186, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance to the National Historic Trails Interpretive Center in Casper, Wyoming, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Hagel (for Thomas) Amendment No. 3680, to delete concession provisions.

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Land Exchange: Senate passed S. 1719, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to exchange land and other assets with Big Sky Lumber Co, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Hagel (for Baucus/Burns) amendment No. 3681, in the nature of a substitute.

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Great Lakes Fish and Wildlife Restoration Act: Senate passed H.R. 1481, to amend the Great Lakes Fish and Wildlife Restoration Act of 1990 to provide for implementation of recommendations of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service contained in the Great Lakes Fishery Resources Restoration Study, clearing the measure for the President.

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Technical Corrections: Senate passed S. 2469, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make technical corrections to a map relating to the Coastal Barrier Resources System, after agreeing to committee amendments.

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Technical Corrections: Senate passed S. 2470, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make technical corrections to a map relating to the Coastal Barrier Resources System, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Coastal Barrier Resources System—Map Corrections: Senate passed S. 2474, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make corrections to certain maps relating to the Coastal Barrier Resources System, after agreeing to a committee amendment.

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Coastal Barrier Resources System—Map Corrections: Senate passed S. 2351, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make corrections to a map relating to the Coastal Barrier Resources System, after agreeing to a committee amendment.

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National Motor Vehicle Safety, Anti-theft, Title Reform, and Consumer Protection: Senate passed S. 852, to establish nationally uniform requirements regarding the titling and registration of salvage, nonrepairable, and rebuilt vehicles, after agreeing to a committee amendment

in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendments proposed thereto: **Page 23135**

Sessions (for Gorton) Amendment No. 3683, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 23139**

Sessions (for Levin/Feinstein/Bryan) Amendment No. 3684 (to Amendment No. 3683), to modify certain terms to clarify that certain Federal laws requiring labeling and titling of salvage vehicles do not preempt more stringent State laws. **Page 23139**

Internet Tax Freedom Act: Senate began consideration of S. 442, to establish a national policy against State and local government interference with interstate commerce on the Internet or interactive computer services, and to exercise Congressional jurisdiction over interstate commerce by establishing a moratorium on the imposition of exactions that would interfere with the free flow of commerce via the Internet, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages 23048, 23067**

Adopted:

McCain (for Abraham) Amendment No. 3678, to enhance electronic commerce by promoting the reliability and integrity of commercial transactions through establishing authentication standards for electronic communications. **Page 23068**

McCain (for Bryan) Amendment No. 3679, to require the Federal Trade Commission to prescribe regulations to protect the privacy of personal information collected from and about children on the Internet, and to provide greater parental control over the collection and use of that information. **Page 23068**

Rejected:

Bumpers Amendment No. 3677, to authorize collection of certain State and local taxes with respect to the sale, delivery, and use of tangible personal property. (By 66 yeas to 29 nays (Vote No. 296), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Page 23051**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Tuesday, October 6, 1998. **Page 23049**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 68 yeas to 28 nays (Vote No. 295 EX), Sonia Sotomayor, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit. **Pages 23053, 23147**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Maria Borrero, of the District of Columbia, to be Director of the Office for Victims of Crime.

Dana Bruce Covington, Sr., of Mississippi, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Rate Commission for a term expiring October 14, 2004.

Edward Jay Gleiman, of Maryland, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Rate Commission for a term expiring October 14, 2004. **Page 23147**

Messages From the House: **Page 23082**

Measures Referred: **Page 23082**

Measures Placed on Calendar: **Page 23082**

Executive Reports of Committees: **Page 23083**

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Additional Cosponsors: **Page 23089**

Amendments Submitted: **Page 23091**

Authority for Committees: **Page 23102**

Additional Statements: **Page 23102**

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—296) **Pages 23054, 23062**

Recess: Senate convened at 9:29 a.m., and recessed at 4:57 p.m., until 11 a.m., on Monday, October 5, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 23132.)

Committee Meetings

BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings to examine the Department of Defense ballistic missile defense programs and policies, after receiving testimony from John J. Hamre, Deputy Secretary of Defense; and Gen. Joseph W. Ralston, USAF, Vice Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nominations of Greta Joy Dicus, of New Hampshire, and Jeffrey S. Merrifield, of New Hampshire, each to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission;

H.R. 81, to designate the United States courthouse located at 401 South Michigan Street in South Bend, Indiana, as the "Robert K. Rodibaugh United States Bankruptcy Courthouse";

H.R. 2225, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse to be constructed on Las Vegas Boulevard between Bridger Avenue and Clark Avenue in Las Vegas, Nevada, as the "Lloyd D. George Federal Building and United States Courthouse";

H.R. 2379, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 251 North Main Street in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, as the "Hiram H. Ward Federal Building and United States Courthouse";

H.R. 3223, to designate the Federal building located at 300 East 8th Street in Austin, Texas, as the "J.J. 'Jake' Pickle Federal Building";

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H.R. 3982, to designate the Federal building located at 310 New Bern Avenue in Raleigh, North Carolina, as the "Terry Sanford Federal Building";

H.R. 4595, to redesignate a Federal building located in Washington, D.C., as the "Sidney R. Yates Federal Building"; and

H.R. 2863, to amend the Migratory Bird Treaty Act to clarify restrictions under that Act on baiting, to facilitate acquisition of migratory bird habitat, with amendments.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of C. Donald Johnson, Jr., of Georgia, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Chief Textile Negotiator, and Frank E. Loy, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary for Global Affairs, both of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Johnson was introduced by Senator Cleland, and Mr. Loy was introduced by Senator Chafee.

CAMBODIA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs concluded hearings to examine recent developments in Cambodia, focusing on United States policy options during the post-election situation, after receiving testimony from Stanley O. Roth, Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs; and Naranhkiri Tith, World Cambodian Congress, Lorne W. Craner, International Republican Institute, and Frederick Z. Brown, School of Advanced International Studies/Johns Hopkins University, all of Washington, D.C.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of John U. Sepulveda, of New York, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Personnel Management, and Joseph Swerdzewski, of Colorado, to be General Counsel of the Federal Labor Relations Authority, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Sepulveda was introduced by Senators Dodd and Lieberman and Representative DeLauro, and Mr. Swerdzewski was introduced by Representative Forbes.

INTERNATIONAL ANTITRUST ENFORCEMENT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights, and Competition concluded hearings to examine the state of international antitrust cooperation and enforcement, and certain United States agreements

designed to increase cooperation among international antitrust authorities to help offset anti-competitive business practices abroad which make it difficult for American industries to succeed in foreign markets, and a related measure S. 2252, to amend the Sherman and Federal Trade Commission Acts to apply their antitrust provisions to export trade, or methods of unfair competition, between a U.S. person and a foreign country, only for injury to export business in the United States and without regard to the effect of specified conduct on U.S. consumers, after receiving testimony from Joel I. Klein, Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice; Robert Pitofsky, Chairman, Federal Trade Commission; Andrew B. Steinberg, Sabre Group, Inc., Fort Worth, Texas; William F. Madison, Marathon Oil Company, Houston, Texas; and Peter S. Walters, Guardian Industries Corporation, Auburn Hills, Michigan.

Y2K EMERGENCY PLANNING

Special Committee on the Year 2000 Technology Problem: Committee held hearings to examine the readiness and ability of Federal, State, and local governments to continue to provide vital emergency services related to the Year 2000, and the role of the Federal Emergency Management Agency in coordinating the Federal Response Plan, including threats to certain public safety communication links and other information technology, receiving testimony from John A. Koskinen, Chairman, President's Council on Year 2000 Conversion; Lacy Suiter, Executive Associate Director, Response and Recovery Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency; Utah Governor Michael O. Leavitt, Salt Lake City; Maj. Gen. Edward J. Philbin ANGUS (Ret.), on behalf of the National Guard Association of the United States; John Thomas Flynn, Sacramento, California, on behalf of the National Association of State Information Resources Executives; Ellen Gordon, National Emergency Management Association, Lexington, Kentucky; Bruce Romer, Montgomery County, Maryland, on behalf of the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments and the National Association of Counties; John S. Powell, University of California Police Department, Berkeley, on behalf of the Association of Public Safety Communications Officers; and Bob Cass, Lubbock, Texas.

Committee will meet again on Wednesday, October 7.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 15 public bills, H.R. 4679-4693; 2 private bills, H.R. 4694-4695; and 6 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 332-333, and H. Res. 568-571, were introduced.

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Conference report on H.R. 4101, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105-763);

H. Res. 567, waiving points of order against the conference report on H.R. 4101, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Res. 105-764);

H.R. 1833, to amend the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to provide for further Self-Governance by Indian Tribes, amended (H. Rept. 105-765);

H.R. 3972, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to prohibit the Secretary of the Interior from charging State and local government agencies for certain uses of the sand, gravel, and shell resources of the outer Continental Shelf (H. Rept. 105-766);

S. 1693, to provide for improved management and increased accountability for certain National Park Service programs, amended (H. Rept. 105-767);

H.R. 3844, to promote and enhance public safety through use of 9-1-1 as the universal emergency assistance number, further deployment of wireless 9-1-1 service, support of States in upgrading 9-1-1 capabilities and related functions, encouragement of construction and operation of seamless, ubiquitous and reliable networks for personal wireless services, and ensuring access to Federal Government property for such networks, amended (H. Rept. 105-768, part 1); and

Pages 23157, 23216

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Thursday, October 1 by a recorded vote of 346 ayes to 60 noes with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 477.

Pages 23148, 23184

Recess: The House recessed at 9:30 a.m. and reconvened at 12:50 p.m.

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Labor, HHS Appropriations: The House agreed to H. Res. 564, the rule providing for consideration of H.R. 4274, making appropriations for the Department of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, by a ye and nay vote of 216 yeas to 200 nays, Roll No. 476.

Pages 23149, 23184

Re-referral of a Bill: H.R. 4614, to provide for the conveyance of Federal land in New Castle, New Hampshire, to the town of New Castle, New Hampshire, and to require the release of certain restrictions with respect to land in such town was re-referred to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

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Agriculture Appropriations: The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4101, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Ad-

ministration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, by a ye and nay vote of 333 yeas to 53 nays, Roll No. 479.

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Rejected the Pomeroy motion to recommit the conference report with instructions to increase the assistance available to family farmers suffering economic loss as a result of record low prices, deteriorating market conditions and/or natural disasters, to take into account the almost 50% drop in real income that has occurred in some farming sectors since 1980; and to limit such assistance to individuals actively engaged in farming, by a ye and nay vote of 156 yeas to 236 nays, Roll No. 478.

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H. Res. 567, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany the bill, was agreed to by voice vote. Pursuant to the rule, H. Res. 551 was laid on the table.

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Late Report: Agreed that the managers on the part of the House have until midnight on October 2 to file a conference report on H.R. 3694, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System.

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Legislative Program: The Chief Deputy Whip announced the Legislative Program for the week of October 5.

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Meeting Hour—Oct. 5: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 5, for morning hour debate.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of October 7.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on page 23148.

Referral: S.J. Res. 58, recognizing the accomplishments of Inspectors General since their creation in 1978 in preventing and detecting waste, fraud, abuse, and mismanagement, and in promoting economy, efficiency, and effectiveness in the Federal Government was referred to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Three ye and nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 23184, 23185, 23205, and 23206. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Committee Meetings

ENERGY SECURITY

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing on Energy Security: What Will The New Millennium Bring? Testimony was heard from the

following officials of the Department of Energy: Robert Gee, Assistant Secretary, Political International Affairs; Jay Hakes, Administrator, Energy Information Administration; and Cecile Warner, National Renewable Energy Laboratory; and public witnesses.

MEDICARE CHOICE PROGRAM

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment held a hearing on The Medicare Choice Program After One Year. Testimony was heard from Mike Hash, Deputy Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

IMPORTED DRUGS

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Imported Drugs: U.S.—EU (European Union) Mutual Recognition Agreement on Drug Inspections. Testimony was heard from Ralph Ives, Deputy Assistant Trade Representative, Europe and the Mediterranean; Charles Ludolph, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Europe, Department of Commerce; and Sharon Smith Holston, Deputy Commissioner, External Affairs, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services.

DC's YEAR 2000 COMPLIANCE CHALLENGES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on the District of Columbia, the Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology and the Subcommittee on Technology of the Committee on Science held a joint hearing on the District of Columbia's Year 2000 Compliance Challenges. Testimony was heard from Jack Brock, Director, Information Management Issues, Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO; Constance Newman, Vice-Chairman, District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority; and the following officials of the District of Columbia: Camille Barnett, Chief Management Officer; and Suzanne Peck, Chief Technology Officer.

COMBATING TERRORISM

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Security, International Affairs, and Criminal Justice held a hearing on Combating Terrorism: The Status of the Defense Department Domestic Preparedness Program. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the National Security and International Affairs Division, GAO: Richard Davis, Director, National Security Analysis; and Davi D'Agostino, Assistant Director, National Security Analysis; the following officials of the Department of Justice: Robert M. Blitzer, Section Chief, Domestic Terrorism/Counterterrorism Planning Section, National Security Division, FBI; and Michael J. Dalich, Chief of Staff, Office of Justice Programs; the following officials of the Department of Defense: Charles L. Cragin, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Reserve Af-

fairs; and James Q. Roberts, Principal Director, Policy and Missions, Office of the Assistant Secretary, Special Operations and Low-Intensity Conflict; and Robert Knouss, Director, Office of Emergency Preparedness, Department of Health and Human Services.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on House Oversight: Met and approved pending Committee business.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Favorably considered and adopted a motion urging the Chairman to request that the following measures be considered on the Suspension Calendar: H.R. 4660, amended, to amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to provide rewards for information leading to the arrest or conviction of any individual for the commission of an act, or conspiracy to act, of international terrorism, narcotics related offenses, or for serious violations of international humanitarian law relating to the Former Yugoslavia; H.R. 4655, amended, Iraq Liberation Act of 1998; H.R. 4506, amended, International Child Labor Relief Act of 1998; H. Res. 523, amended, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the terrorist bombing of the United States Embassies in East Africa; H. Con. Res. 295, expressing the sense of Congress that the 65th anniversary of the Ukrainian Famine of 1932–1933 should serve as a reminder of the brutality of the government of the former Soviet Union's repressive policies toward the Ukrainian people; H. Con. Res. 309, amended, condemning the forced abduction of Ugandan children and their use as soldiers; H. Con. Res. 320, amended, supporting the Baltic people of Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania, and condemning the Nazi-Soviet Pact of Non-Aggression of August 23, 1939; H. Con. Res. 331, expressing the sense of the Congress concerning the inadequacy of sewage infrastructure facilities in Tijuana, Mexico; H. Res. 518, amended, calling for free and transparent elections in Gabon; H. Res. 533, amended, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the culpability of Hun Sen for war crimes, crimes against humanity, and genocide in Cambodia (the former Kampuchea, and the State of Cambodia); H. Res. 562, concerning properties wrongfully expropriated by formerly totalitarian governments; and H. Res. 557, expressing support for U.S. efforts to identify Holocaust-era assets, urging the restitution of individual and communal property.

POW/MIA OVERSIGHT

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Personnel held a hearing on POW/MIA oversight. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Walter B. Slocombe, Under Secretary, Policy; Robert L. Jones, Deputy Assistant Secretary, POW/MIA Affairs; and Lt. Col. John Kelly, USA,

former Commander, Detachment 2, Joint Task Force-Full Accounting; and public witnesses.

CONFERENCE REPORT—AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 4101, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. The rule also provides that H. Res. 551 is laid on the table. Testimony was heard from Representatives Skeen, Smith of Oregon and Kaptur.

OVERSIGHT—LA NINA WINTER WEATHER

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held an oversight hearing on Here Comes La Nina: What to Expect from the Weather in the Winter of 1998–99. Testimony was heard from D. James Baker, Under Secretary, Oceans and Atmosphere, and Administrator, NOAA, Department of Commerce; I. Miley Gonzalez, Under Secretary, Research, Education, and Economics, USDA; and a public witness.

TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE ISSUES RELATED TO Y2K PROBLEM

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Held a hearing to review transportation and infrastructure issues related to the Year 2000 Computer Problem Y2K: Will We Get There on Time? Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Donald Itzkoff, Department Administrator, Federal Railroad Administration; Lee Gardner, Director, Office of Economics, Surface Transportation Board and Nuria Fernandez, Deputy Administrator, Federal Transit Administration; Robert Rose, Chief Information Officer, Railroad Retirement Board; Peter Benjamin, Assistant General Manager, Finance and Program Development, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority; and Robert Hayward, Director, Management and Information Systems, Metropolitan Transit Authority, Harris County, Texas.

Hearings continue October 6th.

FEDERAL PROTECTIVE SERVICE REFORM ACT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Economic Development held a hearing on H.R. 4034, Federal Protective Service Reform Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Robert Peck, Commissioner, Public Buildings Service, GSA; and public witnesses.

TECHNOLOGY TRANSFERS TO CHINA

Select Committee on U.S. National Security and Military/Commercial Concerns with the People's Republic of China: Met in executive session to continue to receive briefings.

Joint Meetings

EMPLOYMENT–UNEMPLOYMENT

Joint Economic Committee: Committee held hearings to examine the employment-unemployment situation for September, receiving testimony from Katharine G. Abraham, Commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor.

Committee recessed subject to call.

APPROPRIATIONS—TRANSPORTATION

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 4328, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

APPROPRIATIONS—TREASURY/POSTAL SERVICE

Conferees on Thursday, October 1, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 4104, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 4101, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Four bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2548–2551, and S. Res. 285–287.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Special Report entitled "Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for fiscal year 1999". S. Rept. No. 105-365)

H.R. 2863, to amend the Migratory Bird Treaty Act to clarify restrictions under that Act on baiting, to facilitate acquisition of migratory bird habitat, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 105-366) **Page 23293**

Measures Passed:

Federal Employees Life Insurance Improvement Act: Senate passed H.R. 2675, to provide for the Office of Personnel Management to conduct a study and submit a report to Congress on the provision of certain options for universal life insurance coverage and additional death and dismemberment insurance under chapter 87 of title 5, United States Code, to improve the administration of such chapter, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 23349**

Veterans Employment Opportunities Act: Senate passed S. 1021, to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that consideration may not be denied to preference eligibles applying for certain positions in the competitive service, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 23350**

Grams (for Specter) Amendment No. 3738, of a technical nature. **Page 23352**

Tunnison Lab Hagerman Field Station: Senate passed S. 2505, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey title to the Tunnison Lab Hagerman Field Station in Gooding County, Idaho, to the University of Idaho, after agreeing to a committee amendment. **Page 23355**

Border Smog Reduction Act: Senate passed H.R. 8, to amend the Clean Air Act to deny entry into the United States of certain foreign motor vehicles that do not comply with State laws governing motor vehicles emissions, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 23356**

Grams (for Chafee) Amendment No. 3739, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 23356**

Bill Referral: Senate agreed to S. Res. 256, to refer S. 2274 entitled "A bill for the relief of Richard M. Barlow of Santa Fe, New Mexico" to the chief judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a report thereon. **Page 23357**

Commending Mark McGwire/Sammy Sosa: Senate agreed to S. Res. 286, expressing the sense of the Senate that Mark McGwire and Sammy Sosa should be commended for their accomplishments. **Page 23357**

Senate Legal Counsel Representation: Senate agreed to S. Res. 287, to authorize representation by Senate Legal Counsel. **Page 23357**

Assistive Technology Act: Senate passed S. 2432, to support programs of grants to States to address the assist-

ive technology needs of individuals with disabilities, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 23358**

Agriculture Appropriations, 1999—Conference Report: Senate began consideration of the conference report on H.R. 4101, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. **Page 23253**

Senate will resume consideration of the conference report on Tuesday, October 6, 1998, with a vote to occur thereon. **Page 23371**

Financial Services Act: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 10, to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, and other financial service providers. **Page 23280**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate took the final action:

By a unanimous vote of 93 yeas (Vote No. 297), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page 23280**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for a vote on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill to occur at 10 a.m., on Wednesday, October 7, 1998. **Page 23286**

Internet Tax Freedom Act: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the cloture vote on S. 442, to establish a national policy against State and local government interference with interstate commerce on the Internet or interactive computer services, and to exercise Congressional jurisdiction over interstate commerce by establishing a moratorium on the imposition of exactions that would interfere with the free flow of commerce via the Internet, to occur on Wednesday, October 7, 1998. **Page 23286**

A further consent agreement was reached providing for consideration of the bill on Tuesday, October 6, 1998. **Page 23371**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations: **Page 23371**

Routine lists in the Coast Guard.

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

David M. Walker, of Georgia, to be Comptroller General of the United States for a term of fifteen years.

John A. Moran, of Virginia, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner for the term expiring June 30, 2001.

Andrea Kidd Taylor, of Michigan, to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board for a term of five years.

John F. Walsh, of Connecticut, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2006.

Norman A. Mordue, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of New York.

Stephen Hadley, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Institute of Peace for a term expiring January 19, 1999.

Stephen Hadley, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Institute of Peace for a term expiring January 19, 2003.

Zalmay Khalizad, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Institute of Peace for a term expiring January 19, 2001. **Page 23371**

Nominations Withdrawn: Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nominations:

Mari Carmen Aponte, of Puerto Rico, to be Ambassador to the Dominican Republic, which was sent to the Senate on April 28, 1998.

Gus A. Owen, of California, to be a Member of the Surface Transportation Board, which was sent to the Senate on February 2, 1998. **Page 23372**

Messages From the House: **Page 23293**

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Authority for Committees: **Page 23342**

Additional Statements: **Page 23342**

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—297) **Page 23280**

Recess: Senate convened at 11 a.m., and recessed at 8:19 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, October 6, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on 23371.)

Committee Meetings

START TREATY COMPLIANCE

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded closed hearings to examine START Treaty compliance issues, after receiving testimony from Steven E. Steiner, U.S. Representative, Joint Compliance and Inspection Commission, U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 9 public bills, H.R. 4696–4704; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 572, 577, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Conference report on H.R. 4194, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–769);

H.R. 1467, to provide for the continuance of oil and gas operations pursuant to certain existing leases in the Wayne National Forest, amended (H. Rept. 105–770);

H.R. 3878, to subject certain reserved mineral interests of the operation of the Mineral Leasing Act (H. Rept. 105–771);

H.R. 3511, to amend title XI of the Social Security Act to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services to provide additional exceptions to the imposition of civil money penalties in cases of payments to beneficiaries, amended (H. Rept. 105–772, Part 1);

H.R. 4567, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make revisions in the per beneficiary and per visit payment limits on payment for health services under the Medicare Program, amended (H. Rept. 105–773, Part 1);

H.R. 4377, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to expand the membership of the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission to 17 (H. Rept. 105–774, Part 1);

H.R. 3783, to amend section 223 of the Communications Act of 1934 to require persons who are engaged in the business of selling or transferring, by means of the World Wide Web, material that is harmful to minors to restrict access to such material by minors, amended (H. Rept. 105–775);

H. Res. 573, providing for consideration of H.R. 4570, to provide for certain boundary adjustments and conveyances involving public lands, to establish and improve the management of certain heritage areas, historic areas, National Parks, wild and scenic rivers, and national trails, to protect communities by reducing hazardous fuels levels on public lands (H. Rept. 105–776);

H. Res. 574, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 4194, making appropriations for the Department of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–777);

H. Res. 575, waiving a requirement of clause 4(b) of rule XI with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 105–778);

H. Res. 576, providing consideration of H.R. 4259, to allow Haskell Indian Nations University and the Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute each to conduct a demonstration project to test the feasibility and desirability of new personnel management policies and procedures (H. Rept. 105-779); and

Conference report on H.R. 3694, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement Disability System, (H. Rept. 105-780). **Pages 23385, 23555, 23569**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Nethercutt to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 23373**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:59 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page 23376**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Federal Employees Health Care Protection Act: Agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 1836, to amend chapter 89 of title 5, United States Code, to improve administration of sanctions against unfit health care providers under the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 23378**

Federal Employees Child Care Affordability: H.R. 4280, amended, to provide for greater access to child care services for Federal employees; **Page 23381**

Increasing Federal Employee Organ Donor Leave Time: H.R. 2943, to amend title 5, United States Code, to increase the amount of leave time available to a Federal employee in any year in connection with serving as an organ donor; **Page 23467**

Travel and Transportation Reform: Agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 930, to require Federal employees to use Federal travel charge cards for all payments of expenses of official Government travel, to amend title 31, United States Code, to establish requirements for prepayment audits of Federal agency transportation expenses, to authorize reimbursement of Federal agency employees for taxes incurred on travel or transportation reimbursements, and to authorize test programs for the payment of Federal employee travel expenses and relocation expenses—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 23476**

Freedom From Government Competition: S. 314, to provide a process for identifying the functions of the Federal Government that are not inherently governmental functions—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 23476**

Designating the Tim Lee Carter Post Office Building: H.R. 3864, to designate the post office located at

203 West Paige Street, in Tompkinsville, Kentucky, as the "Tim Lee Carter Post Office Building;" **Page 23482**

Designating the Thomas P. Foglietta Post Office Building: H.R. 4000, amended, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 400 Edgmont Avenue, Chester, Pennsylvania, as the "Thomas P. Foglietta Post Office Building". Agreed to amend the title; **Page 23483**

Designating the Roxanne H. Jones Post Office Building: H.R. 4001, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 2601 North 16th Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "Roxanne H. Jones Post Office Building"; **Page 23484**

Guam Judicial Empowerment: H.R. 2370, amended, to amend the Organic Act of Guam for the purposes of clarifying the local judicial structure and the office of Attorney General. Agreed to amend the title; **Page 23492**

Tribal Self Governance Amendments: H.R. 1833, amended, to amend the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to provide for further Self-Governance by Indian Tribes; **Page 23495**

California Indian Land Transfer: H.R. 2742, amended, to provide for the transfer of public lands to certain California Indian Tribes; **Page 23502**

Commerce Department Toll Free Number for American-made Product Determination: H.R. 563, amended, to establish a toll free number in the Department of Commerce to assist consumers in determining if products are American-made; **Page 23503**

Money Laundering Deterrence: H.R. 4005, amended, to amend title 31 of the United States Code to improve methods for preventing financial crimes. Agreed to amend the title; **Page 23505**

Money Laundering and Financial Crimes Strategy: H.R. 1756, amended, to amend chapter 53 of title 31, United States Code, to require the development and implementation by the Secretary of the Treasury of a national money laundering and related financial crimes strategy to combat money laundering and related financial crimes; **Page 23511**

Computation of Annuities for State Department Special Agents and Security Personnel: H.R. 633, amended, to amend the Foreign Service Act of 1980 to provide that the annuities of certain special agents and security personnel of the Department of State be computed in the same way as applies generally with respect to Federal law enforcement officers; **Page 23515**

Transition to Democracy in Iraq: H.R. 4655, amended, to establish a program to support a transition to democracy in Iraq (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 360 yeas to 38 nays, Roll No. 482). **Page 23517**

Commercial Space: H. Res. 572, providing for the consideration of H.R. 1702, to encourage the development of a commercial space industry in the United States. Pursuant to H. Res. 572, agreed to the Senate amendment with an amendment; **Page 23525**

Export Apple Act: H.R. 4148, to amend the Export Apple and Pear Act to limit the applicability of the Act to apples; and **Page 23534**

Reporting Requirement for any Selective Embargo on Agricultural Commodities: H.R. 4647, to amend the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 to require the President to report to Congress on any selective embargo on agricultural commodities, to provide a termination date for the embargo, to provide greater assurances for contract sanctity. **Page 23535**

Suspensions—Failed: The House failed to suspend the rules and agree to the following measures:

Conveyance of Federal Land in New Hampshire: H.R. 4614, amended, to provide for the conveyance of Federal land in New Castle, New Hampshire, to the town of New Castle, New Hampshire, and to require the release of certain restrictions with respect to land in such town (failed by a ye and nay vote of 230 yeas to 168 nays, with two-thirds required for passage, Roll No. 480); and **Pages 23469, 23523**

Indian Federal Recognition Administrative Procedures: H.R. 1154, amended, to provide for administrative procedures to extend Federal recognition to certain Indian groups (failed by a ye and nay vote of 190 yeas to 208 nays, with two-thirds required for passage, Roll No. 481). **Pages 23485, 23524**

Late Report: Conferees received permission to have until midnight on Monday, October 5, to file a conference report on H.R. 3694, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System. **Page 23482**

Treasury, Postal Appropriations: Agreed to recommit to the conference committee the conference report on H.R. 4104, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. **Page 23525**

Conferees on National Center for Missing and Exploited Children Authorization Act: Agreed to remove Representatives Castle and Souder as conferees on S. 2073 and appoint Representatives Riggs and Greenwood to fill the vacancies. **Page 23539**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 23373.

Referrals: S. 1016, S. 1333, S. 1408, S. 1665, S. 1718, S. 2129, S. 2232, S. 2272, S. 2351, S. 2469, S. 2470, and S. 2474 were all referred to the Committee on Resources. **Page 23565**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 23570.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three ye and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 23523, 23524, and 23525. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 10:48 p.m.

Committee Meetings

COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTERS— MEDICARE PARTIAL HOSPITALIZATION BENEFIT ABUSES

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Abuses of the Medicare Partial Hospitalization Benefit at Community Mental Health Centers. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Michael F. Mangano, Principal Deputy Inspector General; and Penny Thompson, Director, Program Integrity Group, Health Care Finance Administration.

PUBLIC BROADCASTING REFORM ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on H.R. 4067, Public Broadcasting Reform Act of 1998. Testimony was heard from Robert T. Coonrod, President and CEO, Corporation for Public Broadcasting; and public witnesses.

IMPEACHMENT INQUIRY

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported a resolution authorizing an investigation as to whether sufficient grounds exist for the House of Representatives to exercise its constitutional power to impeach William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States.

The Committee adopted Impeachment Inquiry Procedures.

Prior to this action, the Committee received a presentation by Inquiry Staff.

OMNIBUS NATIONAL PARKS AND PUBLIC LANDS ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 4570, Omnibus National Parks and Public Lands Act of 1998. The rule provides that no amendment shall be in order except: (1) the amendment by Rep. Hansen of Utah printed in the Congressional Record and numbered 1, which shall be debatable for twenty minutes, and (2) the amendment by Rep. Miller of California, if printed in the

Congressional Record on October 5, 1998, which shall be debatable for one hour.

The rule provides that the two amendments listed above may be offered only in the order specified, may be offered only by a Member specified, or his designee, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, and shall not be subject to amendment. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment offered by Rep. Hansen.

The rule allows the Chairman of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representative Young of Alaska.

CONFERENCE REPORT—VA-HUD INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 4194, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard from Representative Lewis of California.

HASKELL INDIAN NATIONS UNIVERSITY AND SOUTHWESTERN INDIAN POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE ADMINISTRATIVE SYSTEMS ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing one hour of debate on H.R. 4259, Haskell Indian Nations University and Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute Administrative Systems Act of 1998. The rule waives all points of order against the consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered by section and each section shall be considered as read. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed the amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows for the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce votes to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Snowbarger and Cummings.

EXPEDITED PROCEDURES

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving clause 4(b) of rule XI (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against certain resolution reported from the

Rules Committee. The rule applies the waiver to a special rule reported before October 11, 1998, providing for consideration or disposition of a bill or joint resolution making general appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, any amendment thereto, any conference report thereon, or any amendment reported in disagreement from a conference thereon. The rule applies the waiver to a special rule reported before October 11, 1998, providing for consideration or disposition of a bill or joint resolution making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, any amendment thereto, any conference report thereon, or any amendment reported in disagreement from a conference thereon. The rule allows, at any time before October 11, 1998, for the Speaker to entertain motions to suspend the rules, provided that the object of any such motion is announced from the floor at least two hours before the motion is offered and that in the scheduling of legislation under this authority, the Speaker or his designee shall consult with the Minority Leader or his designee.

Tuesday, October 6, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 23639–23757

Measures Introduced: Eleven bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2552–2562, S. Con. Res. 124, and S. Res. 288.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1404, to establish a Federal Commission on Statistical Policy to study the reorganization of the Federal statistical system, to provide uniform safeguards for the confidentiality of information acquired for exclusively statistical purposes, and to improve the efficiency of Federal statistical programs and the quality of Federal statistics by permitting limited sharing of records among designated agencies for statistical purposes under strong safeguards, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–367)

Report to accompany S. 2117, to authorize the construction of the Perkins County Rural Water System and authorize financial assistance to the Perkins County Rural Water System, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, in the planning and construction of the water supply system. (S. Rept. No. 105–368)

Report to accompany S. 744, to authorize the construction of the Fall River Water Users District Rural Water System and authorize financial assistance to the Fall River Water Users District, a non-profit corporation, in the planning and construction of the water supply system. (S. Rept. No. 105–369)

Report to accompany S. 736, to convey certain real property within the Carlsbad Project in New Mexico to the Carlsbad Irrigation District. (S. Rept. No. 105-370)

S. 2238, to reform unfair and anticompetitive practices in the professional boxing industry, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105-371)

Report to accompany S. 2151, to clarify Federal law to prohibit the dispensing or distribution of a controlled substance for the purpose of causing, or assisting in causing, the suicide, euthanasia, or mercy killing of any individual. (S. Rept. No. 105-372)

S. 2402, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain lands in San Juan County, New Mexico, to San Juan College, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2413, to provide for the development of a management plan for the Woodland Lake Park tract in Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest in the State of Arizona reflecting the current use of the tract as a public park, with amendments.

S. 2458, to amend the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the creation of the Morristown National Historical Park in the State of New Jersey, and for other purposes" to authorize the acquisition of property known as the "Warren Property".

S. 2513, to transfer administrative jurisdiction over certain Federal land located within or adjacent to Rogue River National Forest and to clarify the authority of the Bureau of Land Management to sell and exchange other Federal land in Oregon.

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Measures Passed:

Reading Excellence Act: Senate passed H.R. 2614, to improve the reading and literacy skills of children and families by improving in-service instructional practices for teachers who teach reading, to stimulate the development of more high-quality family literacy programs, to support extended learning-time opportunities for children, and to ensure that children can read well and independently not later than third grade, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto: Page 23643

Jeffords Amendment No. 3740, in the nature of a substitute. Page 23646

Judicial Anti-Nepotism: Senate passed S. 1892, to provide that a person closely related to a judge of a court exercising judicial power under article III of the United States Constitution (other than the Supreme Court) may not be appointed as a judge of the same court.

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Library of Congress Bicentennial Commemorative Coin Act: Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 3790, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the bicentennial of the Li-

brary of Congress, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. Page 23752

Consumer Reporting Employment Clarification Act: Senate passed S. 2561, to amend the Fair Credit Reporting Act with respect to furnishing and using consumer reports for employment purposes. Page 23752

Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp Promotion Act: Senate passed H.R. 4248, to authorize the use of receipts from the sale of the Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamps to promote additional stamp purchases, clearing the measure for the President.

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National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Authorization: Senate passed S. 2095, to reauthorize and amend the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act, after withdrawing the committee amendments and agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Snowe (for Chafee) Amendment No. 3749, in the nature of a substitute. Page 23754

Agriculture Appropriations, 1999—Conference Report: By 55 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 298), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4101, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, clearing the measure for the President. Page 23656

Internet Tax Freedom Act: Senate resumed consideration of S. 442, to establish a national policy against State and local government interference with interstate commerce on the Internet or interactive computer services, and to exercise Congressional jurisdiction over interstate commerce by establishing a moratorium on the imposition of exactions that would interfere with the free flow of commerce via the Internet, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: Page 23683

Adopted:

McCain (for Frist) Amendment No. 3743, authorizing funds for a grant to Portland State University in Portland, Oregon, to establish the Oregon Institute of Public Service and Constitutional Studies at the Mark O. Hatfield School of Government. Page 23689

Rejected:

Graham Amendment No. 3729, to require a supermajority of both Houses to extend the moratorium. (By 83 yeas to 15 nays (Vote No. 299), Senate tabled the amendment.) Page 23683

Bumpers/Graham Amendment No. 3742, to require persons selling tangible personal property via the Internet to disclose to purchasers that they may be subject to State and local sales and use taxes on the purchases. (By 71 yeas to 27 nays (Vote No. 300), Senate tabled the amendment.) Page 23686

Senate will vote on a motion to close further debate on the bill on Wednesday, October 7, 1998.

VA/HUD Appropriations, 1999 Conference Report—

Agreement: A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the conference report on H.R. 4194, making appropriations for Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, with a vote to occur thereon.

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Nominations—Agreement: A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the nomination of William A. Fletcher, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, with a vote to occur thereon, and to consider the nominations of H. Dean Buttram, Jr., and Inge Prytz Johnson, each to be a United States District Judge of the Northern District of Alabama, and Robert Bruce King, of West Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Kay Kelley Arnold, of Arkansas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring October 6, 2004.

Donnie R. Marshall, of Texas, to be Deputy Administrator of Drug Enforcement.

Jose Antonio Perez, of California, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of California for the term of four years.

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Amendments Submitted:

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Authority for Committees:

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Additional Statements:

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—300)

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Recess: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and recessed at 7:14 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, October 7, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 23757.)

Committee Meetings

NATIONAL SECURITY

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings to examine worldwide threats facing the United States and potential United States operational and contingency requirements, after receiving testimony from William S.

Cohen, Secretary of Defense; and Gen. Henry H. Shelton, USA, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

CHILDREN'S DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ACT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on S. 2178, to amend the National Housing Act to authorize the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to insure mortgages for the acquisition, construction, or substantial rehabilitation of child care and development facilities and to establish the Children's Development Commission to certify such facilities for such insurance, after receiving testimony from Senator Kohl; Representatives Maloney and Baker; Mildred Kiefer Wurf, on behalf of the Girls Incorporated and the National Collaboration for Youth, and Melinda Green, National Black Child Development Institute, both of Washington, D.C.; Faith Wohl, Child Care Action Campaign, New York, New York; and Cheryl Luce, Boothwyn, Pennsylvania.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nominations of David Micaela, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary for Environment, Safety and Health, and Rose Eileen Gottemoeller, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Non-Proliferation and National Security, both of the Department of Energy, and Eljay B. Bowron, of Michigan, to be Inspector General, Department of the Interior;

S. 2402, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain lands in San Juan County, New Mexico, to San Juan College, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2413, to provide for the development of a management plan for the Woodland Lake Park tract in Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest in the State of Arizona reflecting the current use of the tract as a public park, with amendments;

S. 2513, to transfer administrative jurisdiction over certain Federal land located within or adjacent to Rogue River National Forest and to clarify the authority of the Bureau of Land Management to sell and exchange other Federal land in Oregon; and

S. 2458, to amend the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the creation of the Morristown National Historical Park in the State of New Jersey, and for other purposes" to authorize the acquisition of property known as the "Warren Property".

ACID DEPOSITION CONTROL

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Clean Air, Wetlands, Private Property and Nuclear Safety concluded hearings on S. 1097, to reduce acid deposition under the Clean Air Act, after receiving testimony from Senator D'Amato; Representative Solomon; Brian J. McLean, Director, Acid Rain Division, Office of Air and

Radiation, Environmental Protection Agency; Edward Kropp, West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection, Charleston; Bernard Melewski, Adirondack Council, Albany, New York; and William F. Tyndall, Cinergy Corporation, Cincinnati, Ohio.

BALLISTIC MISSILE THREAT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings to examine a report on the nature and extent of the existing and emerging ballistic missile threat to the United States, after receiving testimony from Donald H. Rumsfeld, former Secretary of Defense, Barry M. Blechman, former Assistant Director for Weapons Evaluation and Control, U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, and William Robert Graham, former Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy, and former Deputy Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, all on behalf of the Commission to Assess the Ballistic Missile Threat to the United States (Rumsfeld Commission).

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Sylvia M. Mathews, of West Virginia, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators Byrd and Rockefeller, testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

COAL ACT

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring, and the District of Columbia concluded oversight hearings to examine the implementation of the Coal Industry Retiree Health Benefit Act of 1992 (Coal Act), focusing on the financial status of the funding of health benefits for retired coal miners and how the recent Supreme Court ruling in *Eastern Enterprises v. Apfel* will impact on the financial management of the United Mine Workers of America's Combined Benefit Fund, after receiving testimony from Senators Rockefeller and Conrad; Kathy Karpan, Director, Office of Surface Mining, Reclamation and Enforcement, Department of the Interior; and Marilyn O'Connell, Associate Commissioner for Program Benefits, Social Security Administration.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of William J. Hibbler and Matthew F. Kennelly, each to be a United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, Yvette Kane and James M. Munley, each to be a United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, Alex R. Munson, to be a Judge for the District Court for the Northern Mariana Islands, and Francis M. Allegra, of Virginia, Lawrence Baskir, of Maryland, Lynn Jeanne Bush, of the District of Columbia, Edward J. Damich, of Virginia, and

Nancy B. Firestone, of Virginia, each to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Messrs. Hibbler and Kennelly were introduced by Senator Durbin, Ms. Kane was introduced by Senators Specter and Santorum, Mr. Munley was introduced by Senators Specter and Santorum and Representative McDade, Mr. Munson was introduced by Northern Mariana Islands Resident Representative Juan Babauta, Messrs. Allegra and Damich and Ms. Firestone were introduced by Senator Robb, Mr. Baskir was introduced by Senator Sarbanes, and Ms. Bush was introduced by District of Columbia Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Veterans Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Leigh A. Bradley, of Virginia, to be General Counsel, Eligah Dane Clark, of Alabama, to be Chairman of the Board of Veterans' Appeals, and Edward A. Powell, Jr., of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Management, all of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 7 public bills, H.R. 4705–4711, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1842, to terminate further development and implementation of the American Heritage Rivers Initiative (H. Rept. 105–781);

H.R. 3087, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to grant an easement to Chugach Alaska Corporation, amended (H. Rept. 105–782);

H.R. 2756, to authorize an exchange of property between the Kake Tribal Corporation and the Sealaska Corporation and the United States, amended (H. Rept. 105–783);

H.R. 3088, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, regarding Huna Totem Corporation public interest land exchange (H. Rept. 105–784);

H.R. 4389, to provide for the conveyance of various reclamation project facilities to local water authorities, amended (H. Rept. 105–785);

Conference report on H.R. 3874, to amend the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 to make improvements to the special supplemental nutrition program for women, infants, and children and to extend the authority of that program through fiscal year 2003 (H. Rept. 105–786);

H.R. 3610, to authorize and facilitate a program to enhance training, research and development, energy conservation and efficiency, and consumer education in the

oilheat industry for the benefit of oilheat consumers and the public (H. Rept. 105-787 Part 1); and

Conference report on S. 2206, to amend the Head Start Act, the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981, and the Community Services Block Grant Act to reauthorize and make improvements to those Acts, to establish demonstration projects that provide an opportunity for persons with limited means to accumulate assets (H. Rept. 105-788). **Pages 23847, 23891**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Bass to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 23758**

Recess: The House recessed at 9:07 a.m. and reconvened at 10:00 a.m. **Page 23759**

Private Calendar: On the call of the Private Calendar, the House passed H.R. 1794, for the relief of Mai Hoa "Jasmine" Salehi; and H.R. 1834, for the relief of Mercedes Del Carmen Quiroz Martinez Cruz. The House passed over without prejudice S. 1304, for the relief of Belinda McGregor. **Page 23759**

VA, HUD Appropriations: The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4194, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, by a yeas and nays vote of 409 yeas to 14 nays, Roll No. 483. **Page 23776**

H. Res. 574, the rule waiving points of order against the conference report accompanying the bill, was agreed to by voice vote. **Page 23762**

Commerce, Justice, State, Judiciary Appropriations: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 4276, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Rogers, Kolbe, Taylor of North Carolina, Regula, Latham, Livingston, Young of Florida, Mollohan, Skaggs, Dixon, and Obey. **Page 23791**

Agreed to the Mollohan motion to instruct conferees to not concur in any Senate legislative provisions or any extraneous legislative provisions, which are outside the scope of Conference, which could have the effect of causing a government shutdown. **Page 23791**

Consideration of Certain Resolutions from Rules Committee: The House agreed to H. Res. 575, waiving a requirement of clause 4(b) of rule XI with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules, was agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 218 yeas to 206 nays, Roll No. 484. **Page 23792**

Haskell Indian Nations University and Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute Demonstration Project: The House passed H.R. 4259, to allow Haskell Indian Nations University and the Southwestern Indian Poly-

technic Institute each to conduct a demonstration project to test the feasibility and desirability of new personnel management policies and procedures. **Page 23795**

Rejected:

The Cummings amendment in the nature of a substitute to authorize Haskell Indian Nations University in Lawrence, Kansas, and Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute in Albuquerque, New Mexico to conduct personnel demonstration projects, stipulates oversight by the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, and requires that the projects will be subject to existing civil service procedures, including retirement and benefit programs (rejected by a recorded vote of 181 yeas to 244 noes, Roll No. 485). **Page 23808**

H. Res. 576, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by voice vote. **Page 23794**

Late Reports: Conference committees received permission to have until midnight on October 6 to file conference reports on H.R. 3874, to amend the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 to make improvements to the special supplemental nutrition program for women, infants, and children and to extend the authority of that program through fiscal year 2003; and S. 2206, to amend the Head Start Act, the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981, and the Community Services Block Grant Act to reauthorize and make improvements to those Acts, to establish demonstration projects that provide an opportunity for persons with limited means to accumulate assets. **Page 23813**

Consideration of Intelligence Authorization Conference Report: Agreed that on October 7, or any day thereafter, it may be in order to consider the conference report on H.R. 3694, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System; that all points of order against the conference report and against its consideration be waived; and that the conference report be considered as read when called up. **Page 23813**

Consideration of Suspensions: Pursuant to H. Res. 575, agreed to consider the following measures under suspension of the rules on Wednesday, Oct. 7: H.R. 4679, H.R. 3783, H.R. 8, H.R. 4657, H.R. 4656, S. 2505, H.R. 2921, H.R. 4616, H.R. 2348, H. Con. Res. 331, S. 2022, S. 512, S. 1976, H.R. 804, and H.R. 4293. **Page 23813**

Permitting Official Photographs: The House agreed to H. Res. 577, permitting official photographs of the House of Representatives to be taken while the House is in actual session. **Page 23814**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages 23758, 23814, and 23832.

Referrals: S. 2505, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey title to the Tunnison Lab Hagerman Field Station in Gooding County, Idaho, to the University of Idaho, was referred to the Committee on Resources.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea and nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 23790, 23793, and 23811. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Committee Meetings

KYOTO PROTOCOL

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing on The Kyoto Protocol: The Outlook for Buenos Aires and Beyond. Testimony was heard from Janet Yellen, Chair, Council of Economic Advisors; Melinda Kimble, Acting Assistant Secretary, Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

SUBPOENA—PORTALS INVESTIGATION

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations authorized the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum to Reed E. Hundt in connection with the Subcommittee's ongoing Portals investigation.

PORTALS INVESTIGATION

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations continued hearings on the circumstances surrounding the FCC's planned relocation to the Portals, including the efforts of Franklin L. Haney and his representatives with respect to this matter and the circumstances surrounding the payment of fees to those representatives. Testimony was heard from James R. Sasser, Ambassador to China; Franklin L. Haney, Franklin L. Haney Company; Peter Knight and Jody Trapasso, both with Wunder, Knight, Levine, Thelen and Forsey.

Hearings continue October 9.

TEAMSTERS' STRIKE AT DIAMOND WALNUT GROWERS—EFFORTS TO SETTLE

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Efforts to Settle the Teamsters' strike at Diamond Walnut Growers, Inc. Testimony was heard from Michael Kantor, former U.S. Trade Representative; Jennifer O'Connor, former White House Special Assistant to the President; and public witnesses.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY'S FOREIGN VISITOR PROGRAM

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Procurement held a hearing on the Department of Energy's Foreign Visitor Program. Testimony was heard from

Keith O. Fultz, Assistant Comptroller General, Resources, Community and Economic Development, GAO; and the following officials of the Department of Energy: Elizabeth Moler, Deputy Secretary; John C. Browne, Director, Los Alamos National Laboratory; C. Paul Richardson, Director, Sandia National Laboratories; and C. Bruce Tarter, Director, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory.

TOHONO O'ODHAM RELIGIOUS AREA RESTORATION ACT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands held a hearing on H.R. 4119, Tohono O'odham Religious Area Restoration Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Pastor; Pat Shea, Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—HIGH PERFORMANCE COMPUTING

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Basic Research held an oversight hearing on High Performance Computing. Testimony was heard from Neal Lane, Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy; Joseph Bordogna, Acting Deputy Director, NSF; and public witnesses.

TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE ISSUES RELATED TO Y2K PROBLEM

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Continued hearings to review Transportation and Infrastructure Issues related to the Year 2000 Computer Problem "Y2K: Will We Get There On Time?" with emphasis on Highways, Pipelines and Public Buildings Issues. Testimony was heard from David Barram, Administrator, GSA; from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Steven Van Beck, Deputy Administrator, Research and Special Projects Administration; and Gloria Jeff, Deputy Administrator, Federal Highway Administration; Kathleen Hirning, Chief Information Officer, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy; Michael Heyman, Secretary, Smithsonian Institution; Alan Hantman, Architect of the Capitol; Kathy Hoftstedt, Year 2000 Project Manager, Department of Transportation, State of Minnesota; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

Joint Meetings

AMERICAN LEGION

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on Veterans Affairs concluded joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans Affairs to examine the legislative recommendations of the American Legion, after receiving testimony from Harold L. Miller, American Legion, Washington, D.C.

APPROPRIATIONS—TREASURY/POSTAL SERVICE

Conferees met to further resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 4104, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to the call.

AUTHORIZATION—CHILD NUTRITION/WIC

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 3874, to amend the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 to make improvements to the special supplemental nutrition program for women, infants, and children and to extend the authority of that program through fiscal year 2003.

AUTHORIZATION—INTELLIGENCE

Conferees on Monday, October 5, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 3694, to authorize funds for fiscal year 1999 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System.

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Wednesday, October 7, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 23911–24101

Measures Introduced: Fourteen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2563–2576 and S. Res. 289–291. Page 23968

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Special Report entitled "Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 1999." (S. Rept. No. 105–373)

Report to accompany S. 2041, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the design, planning, and construction of the Willow Lake Natural Treatment System Project for the reclamation and reuse of water. (S. Rept. No. 105–374)

Report to accompany S. 2140, to amend the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act of 1992 to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the design, planning, and construction of the Denver Water Reuse project. (S. Rept. No. 105–375)

Report to accompany S. 2142, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey the facilities of the Pine River Project, to allow jurisdictional transfer of lands between the Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, and the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, and the Bureau of Indian Affairs. (S. Rept. No. 105–376)

Report to accompany H.R. 2402, to make technical and clarifying amendments to improve management of water-related facilities in the Western United States. (S. Rept. No. 105–377)

Report to accompany H.R. 4079, to authorize the construction of temperature control devices at Folsom Dam in California. (S. Rept. No. 105–378)

S. 391, to provide for the disposition of certain funds appropriated to pay judgment in favor of the Mississippi Sioux Indians, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–379)

H.R. 1023, to provide for compassionate payments with regard to individuals with blood-clotting disorders, such as hemophilia, who contracted human immunodeficiency virus due to contaminated blood products.

S. 2564, to provide for compassionate payments with regard to individuals with blood-clotting disorders, such as hemophilia, who contracted human immunodeficiency virus due to contaminated blood products, and for other purposes. Page 23968

Measures Passed:

Copyright Term Extension Act: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. 505, to amend the provisions of title 17, United States Code, with respect to the duration of copyright, and the bill was then passed after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: Page 23941

Lott (for Hatch) Amendment No. 3782, in the nature of a substitute. Page 23942

Thomas Alva Edison Commemorative Coin Act: Senate passed H.R. 678, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the sesquicentennial of the birth of Thomas Alva Edison, to redesign the half dollar circulating coin for 1997 to commemorate Thomas Edison, clearing the measure for the President. Page 24076

School Resource Officers: Senate passed S. 2235, to amend part Q of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to encourage the use of school resource officers. Page 24077

Alternative Dispute Resolution Act: Senate passed H.R. 3528, to amend title 28, United States Code, with respect to the use of alternative dispute resolution processes in United States district courts, after agreeing to committee amendments, and the following amendment proposed thereto: Page 24077

McCain (for Grassley/Durbin) Amendment No. 3784, to make technical modifications regarding the use of al-

ternative dispute resolution processes in United States district courts. **Page 24077**

Printing Authority: Senate agreed to S. Res. 289, authorizing the printing of the "Testimony from the Hearings of the Task Force on Economic Sanctions". **Page 24079**

Senate Legal Counsel Representation: Senate agreed to S. Res. 290, to authorize representation by Senate Legal Counsel. **Page 24079**

Senate Legal Counsel Representation: Senate agreed to S. Res. 291, to authorize representation by Senate Legal Counsel. **Page 24079**

Democracy Transition in Iraq: Senate passed H.R. 4655, to establish a program to support a transition to democracy in Iraq, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 24080**

Bounty Hunter Accountability and Quality Assistance Act: Senate passed S. 1637, to expedite State review of criminal records of applicants for bail enforcement officer employment, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 24081**

Irrigation Project Contract Extension Act: Senate passed H.R. 2795, to extend certain contracts between the Bureau of Reclamation and irrigation water contractors in Wyoming and Nebraska that receive water from Glendo Reservoir, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 24083**

Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument Completion Act: Senate passed H.R. 1659, to provide for the expeditious completion of the acquisition of private mineral interests within the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument mandated by the 1982 Act that established the Monument, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 24083**

Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act: Senate passed H.R. 2000, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to make certain clarifications to the land bank protection provisions, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 24084**

Carlsbad Irrigation Project Acquired Land Transfer Act: Senate passed S. 736, to convey certain real property within the Carlsbad Project in New Mexico to the Carlsbad Irrigation District, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 24084**

Lewis and Clark Rural Water System Act: Senate passed S. 777, to authorize the construction of the Lewis and Clark Rural Water System and to authorize assistance to the Lewis and Clark Rural Water System, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, for planning and construction of the water supply system, after agreeing to committee amendments. **Page 24085**

Advisory Commission Reauthorization: Senate passed S. 1175, to reauthorize the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area Citizen Advisory Commission for 10 additional years. **Page 24086**

Women's Rights National Historic Trail: Senate passed S. 1641, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to study alternatives for establishing a national historic trail to commemorate and interpret the history of women's rights in the United States, after agreeing to a committee amendment. **Page 24086**

Willow Lake Natural Treatment System Project: Senate passed S. 2041, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the design, planning, and construction of the Willow Lake Natural Treatment System Project for the reclamation and reuse of water. **Page 24087**

George Washington Birthplace National Monument: Senate passed S. 2086, to revise the boundaries of the George Washington Birthplace National Monument, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 24087**

Denver Water Reuse Project: Senate passed S. 2140, to amend the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act of 1992 to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the design, planning, and construction of the Denver Water Reuse Project. **Page 24087**

Pine River Project Conveyance: Senate passed S. 2142, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey the facilities of the Pine River Project, to allow jurisdictional transfer of lands between the Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, and the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, and the Bureau of Indian Affairs, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 24088**

Fort Matanzas National Monument: Senate passed S. 2239, to revise the boundary of Fort Matanzas National Monument. **Page 24089**

Adams National Historical Park: Senate passed S. 2240, to establish the Adams National Historical Park in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, after agreeing to committee amendments. **Page 24089**

Land Acquisition: Senate passed S. 2241, to provide for the acquisition of lands formerly occupied by the Franklin D. Roosevelt family at Hyde Park, New York. **Page 24091**

Boundary Modification: Senate passed S. 2246, to amend the Act which established the Frederick Law Olmsted National Historic Site, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, by modifying the boundary. **Page 24091**

U.S. Park Police Medical Expenses: Senate passed S. 2247, to permit the payment of medical expenses incurred by the United States Park Police in the perform-

ance of duty to be made directly by the National Park Service. **Page 24091**

Waiver Allowance/Indemnification: Senate passed S. 2248, to allow for waiver and indemnification in mutual law enforcement agreements between the National Park Service and a State or political subdivision, when required by State law. **Page 24091**

National Historic Preservation Act: Senate passed S. 2257, to reauthorize the National Historic Preservation Act, after agreeing to committee amendments. **Page 24091**

Minuteman Missile National Historic Site: Senate passed S. 2284, to establish the Minuteman Missile National Historic Site in the State of South Dakota, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 24091**

Seneca Falls Convention 150th Anniversary: Senate passed S. 2285, to establish a commission, in honor of the 150th Anniversary of the Seneca Falls Convention, to further protect sites of importance in the historic efforts to secure equal rights for women. **Page 24092**

Gateway Visitor Center: Senate passed S. 2309, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into an agreement for the construction and operation of the Gateway Visitor Center at Independence National Historical Park. **Page 24093**

Dante Fascell Visitor Center: Senate passed S. 2468, to designate the Biscayne National Park visitor center as the Dante Fascell Visitor Center at Biscayne National Park, after agreeing to a committee amendment. **Page 24093**

Land Exchange: Senate passed H.R. 2411, to provide for a land exchange involving the Cape Cod National Seashore and to extend the authority for the Cape Cod National Seashore Advisory Commission, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 24094**

Folsom Dam: Senate passed H.R. 4079, to authorize the construction of temperature control devices at Folsom Dam in California, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 24094**

Idaho Admission Act: Senate passed H.R. 4166, to amend the Idaho Admission Act regarding the sale or lease of school land, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 24094**

Fall River Water Users District Rural Water System Act: Senate passed S. 744, to authorize the construction of the Fall River Water Users District Rural Water System and authorize financial assistance to the Fall River Water Users District, a non-profit corporation, in the planning and construction of the water supply system, after agreeing to committee amendments, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 24094**

McCain (for Daschle/Johnson) Amendment No. 3786, to reduce the Federal share of expenditures and require a water conservation program. **Page 24094**

Perkins County Water Supply System: Senate passed S. 2117, to authorize the construction of the Perkins County Rural Water System and authorize financial assistance to the Perkins County Rural Water System, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, in the planning and construction of the water supply system, after agreeing to committee amendments, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 24096**

McCain (for Daschle/Johnson) Amendment No. 3787, to require a water conservation program. **Page 24097**

Hydroelectric Project Extension: Senate passed H.R. 4081, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Arkansas, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 24099**

Financial Services Act: By 88 yeas to 11 nays (Vote No. 301), Senate agreed to a motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 10, to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, and other financial service providers, with a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 23916**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Thursday, October 8, 1998, at 5 p.m.

Internet Tax Freedom Act: Senate resumed consideration of S. 442, to establish a national policy against State and local government interference with interstate commerce on the Internet or interactive computer services, and to exercise Congressional jurisdiction over interstate commerce by establishing a moratorium on the imposition of exactions that would interfere with the free flow of commerce via the Internet, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

By 98 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 303), Coats Modified Amendment No. 3695, to exempt from the moratorium on Internet taxation any persons engaged in the business of selling or transferring by means of the World Wide Web material that is harmful to minors who do not restrict access to such material by minors. **Page 23919**

Dodd Amendment No. 3780 (to Amendment No. 3695), to provide for an exception to the moratorium with respect to Internet access providers who do not offer customers screening software. **Page 23920**

McCain (for Graham) Amendment No. 3734, to modify the Commission membership. **Page 23925**

McCain Modified Amendment No. 3723, to establish a relationship with other provisions of existing law, and to set forth the role of the National Commission on Uniform State Legislation. **Page 23925**

McCain/Wyden Amendment No. 3717, to add severability provisions. **Page 23925**

McCain/Wyden Amendment No. 3713, of a clarifying nature. **Page 23925**

McCain/Wyden Amendment No. 3710, of a clarify nature. **Page 23925**

McCain/Wyden Amendment No. 3712, to define the term "Internet". **Page 23925**

McCain (for Bryan) Amendment No. 3735, to make it clear that the delayed effective date for the Children's Online Privacy Act is keyed to the filing date of the application. **Page 23925**

McCain Modified Amendment No. 3721, to establish an Advisory Commission on Electronic Commerce. **Page 23925**

Subsequently, the amendment was further modified. **Page 23928**

McCain Amendment No. 3722, to direct the Commission to examine model State legislation. **Page 23928**

Hutchinson Modified Amendment No. 3760 (to Amendment No. 3722), relating to the duties of the Advisory Commission on Electronic Commerce. (By 30 yeas to 68 nays (Vote No. 304), Senate earlier failed to table the amendment.) **Page 23928**

McCain (for Graham) Amendment No. 3732, to modify the duties of the Commission. **Page 23939**

McCain (for Graham) Amendment No. 3733, to modify the report of the Commission. **Page 23939**

Dorgan Modified Amendment No. 3779 (to Amendment No. 3719), to establish a definition of generally imposed and actually enforced. **Page 23945**

McCain (for Enzi) Amendment No. 3727, to include legislative recommendations in the commission's report. **Page 23945**

McCain Modified Amendment No. 3718, to revise the definitions of the terms "tax", "telecommunications service", and "tax on Internet access". **Page 23945**

McCain (for Abraham) Modified Amendment No. 3678, to enhance electronic commerce by promoting the reliability and integrity of commercial transaction through establishing authentication standards for electronic communications. **Page 23946**

Subsequently, the amendment was further modified. **Page 23957**

Pending:

McCain/Wyden Amendment No. 3719, to make changes in the moratorium provision. By 28 yeas to 69 nays (Vote No. 306), Senate earlier failed to table the amendment. **Pages 23945, 23958**

Rejected:

By 45 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 305), McCain/Wyden Amendment No. 3783 (to Amendment No. 3719), to extend the ending date of the moratorium. **Pages 23945, 23952**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 94 yeas to 4 nays (Vote No. 302), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to close further debate on the bill. **Page 23917**

Senate may resume consideration of the bill on Thursday, October 8, 1998.

Freedom from Religious Persecution Act—Cloture Filed: A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to the consideration of H.R. 2431, to establish an Office of Religious Persecution Monitoring, and to provide for the imposition of sanctions against countries engaged in a pattern of religious persecution and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Friday, October 9, 1999. **Page 24076**

Child Nutrition and WIC Reauthorizations—Conference Report: Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 3874, to amend the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 to make improvements to the special supplemental nutrition program for women, infants, and children and to extend the authority of that program through fiscal year 2003, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 24076**

Head Start/Low-Income Energy Assistance/Community Services Block Grant Authorizations Conference Report—Agreement: A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the conference report on S. 2206, to amend the Head Start Act, the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981, and the Community Services Block Grant Act to reauthorize and make improvements to those Acts, and to establish demonstration projects that provide an opportunity for persons with limited means to accumulate assets. **Page 24077**

Intelligence Authorizations Conference Report—Agreement: A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the conference report on H.R. 3694, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System. **Page 24099**

VA/HUD Appropriations Conference Report—Agreement: A unanimous-consent time-agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the conference report on H.R. 4194, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, on Thursday, October 8, 1998, with a vote to occur thereon. **Page 24099**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Joy Harjo, of New Mexico, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2002.

Joan Specter, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2002.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Margaret Ellen Curran, of Rhode Island, to be United States Attorney for the District of Rhode Island for the term of four years.

Byron Todd Jones, of Minnesota, to be United States Attorney for the District of Minnesota for the term of four years.

Harold J. Creel, Jr., of South Carolina, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner for the term expiring June 30, 2004.

Robert W. Perciasepe, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

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Record Votes: Six record votes were taken today. (Total—306)

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Recess: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and recessed at 8:04 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, October 8, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 24099.)

Committee Meetings

NOMINATION

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Ira G. Peppercorn, of Indiana, to be Director of the Office of Multifamily Housing Assistance Restructuring, Department of Housing and Urban Development, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Isadore Rosenthal, of Pennsylvania, and Andrea Kidd Taylor, of Michigan, each to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and

Hazard Investigation Board, and William Clifford Smith, of Louisiana, to be a Member of the Mississippi River Commission, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Smith was introduced by Senator Breaux and Representative Tauzin.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of William B. Bader, of New Jersey, to be Associate Director for Educational and Cultural Affairs, United States Information Agency, Harold Hongju Koh, of Connecticut, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, and C. David Welch, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of State for International Organization Affairs, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Bader was introduced by Senator Sarbanes, and Mr. Koh was introduced by Senators Dodd, Lieberman, Sarbanes, and Feingold.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Dana Bruce Covington, Sr., of Mississippi, and Edward Jay Gleiman, of Maryland, each to be a Commissioner of the Postal Rate Commission, and David M. Walker, of Georgia, to be Comptroller General of the United States, General Accounting Office, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Covington was introduced by Senator Lott, and Mr. Walker was introduced by Senators Cleland and Mack.

MILITARY ADULTERY STANDARDS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring, and the District of Columbia concluded hearings to examine certain implications of proposed revisions to the Department of Defense Manual for Courts Martial provisions relating to adultery, after receiving testimony from Daniel R. Heimbach, former Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Manpower; Elaine Donnelly, Center for Military Readiness, Livonia, Michigan, former Member of the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services and the Presidential Commission on Women in the Armed Forces; and Lt. Col. Robert L. Maginnis, USA (Ret.), Family Research Council, Washington, D.C.

NOMINATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Norman A. Mordue, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of New York, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator D'Amato, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

RADIATION EXPOSURE COMPENSATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on proposals to amend the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act.

tion Act of 1990 designed to compensate certain individuals who suffered from exposure to radiation as a result of the federal government's nuclear testing program and federal uranium mining activities, including S. 2343, and provisions of H.R. 3539, measures to provide for partial restitution to individuals who worked in uranium mines, or transport which provided uranium for the use and benefit of the United States Government, after receiving testimony from Senator Bingaman; Representative Redmond; Donald M. Remy, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice; Jonathan M. Samet, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland; Phillip Harrison, Jr., Office of Navajo Uranium Workers, Shiprock, New Mexico; Becky Rockwell, Canyon Consultants, Durango, Colorado; and Gayle Dawne Staheli Hanig, Washington, Utah.

INDIAN SELF-GOVERNANCE

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on certain provisions of H.R. 1833, to amend the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to establish the Tribal Self-Governance Demonstration program within the Department of Health and Human Services to provide for further self-governance by Indian tribes and to set forth program requirements and related provisions, after receiving testimony from John J. Callahan, Assistant Secretary for Management and Budget, and Luana L. Reyes, Director of Headquarter Operations, Indian Health Service, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; Henry M. Cagey, Lummi Indian Business Council, Bellingham, Washington; Robert J. Clark, Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation, Dillingham, Alaska; and Alvin Windy Boy, National Indian Health Board, Denver, Colorado.

GENERAL BUSINESS Y2K CHALLENGES

Special Committee on the Year 2000 Technology Problem: Committee concluded hearings to examine certain issues with regard to Year 2000 information technology challenges facing small businesses and certain corporations, after receiving testimony from Fred P. Hochberg, Deputy Administrator, Small Business Administration; William J. Dennis, Jr., National Federation of Independent Business, Washington, D.C.; Rod Rodrigue, Maine Manufacturing Extension Partnership, Augusta; Harold Schild, Tillamook County Creamery Association, Tillamook, Oregon; Lou Marcoccio, Gartner Group, Scottsdale, Arizona; Charles Popper, Merck & Co., Inc., Whitehouse Station, New Jersey; Keith Mallonee, McKesson Corporation, San Francisco, California; Ronald J. Streck, National Wholesale Druggists' Association, Reston, Virginia; Richard T. Carbray, Jr., Pelton's Pharmacy and Home Health Centers, Newington, Connecticut, on behalf of the American Pharmaceutical Association; and Laurene L. West, Salt Lake City, Utah.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 18 public bills, H.R. 4712–4729; 2 private bills, H.R. 4730–4731; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 334–335 and H. Res. 578, 582, were introduced. **Page 24397**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Conference report on H.R. 4104, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–789);

H. Res. 579, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 4104, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–790);

H. Res. 580, providing for consideration of H.J. Res. 131, waiving certain enrollment requirements for the remainder of the One Hundred Fifth Congress with respect to any bill or joint resolution making general or continuing appropriations for fiscal year 1999 (H. Rept. 105–791);

Report in the matter of Franklin L. Haney (H. Rept. 105–792);

H.R. 3828, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve access to health care services for certain Medicare-eligible veterans, amended (H. Rept. 105–793 part 1);

Conference report on H.R. 3150, to amend title 11 of the United States Code (H. Rept. 105–794); and

H. Res. 581, authorizing and directing the Committee on the Judiciary to investigate whether sufficient grounds exist for the impeachment of William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States (H. Rept. 105–795).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Sessions to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 24102**

Intelligence Authorization: The House agreed to the conference report accompanying H.R. 3694, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, by a recorded vote of 337 ayes to 83 noes, Roll No. 487. **Page 24106**

Rejected the Barr motion to recommit the conference report with instructions to the conference committee to remove Section 604 (rejected by a yeas and nays vote of 148 yeas to 267 nays, Roll No. 486). **Page 24116**

Omnibus National Parks and Public Lands: The House failed to pass H.R. 4570, to provide for certain boundary adjustments and conveyances involving public lands, to establish and improve the management of certain heritage areas, historic areas, National Parks, wild and scenic rivers, and national trails, to protect communities by reducing hazardous fuels levels on public lands, by a ye and nay vote of 123 yeas to 302 nays, Roll No. 489. **Page 24127**

Agreed to the Hansen amendment in the nature of a substitute that revises or eliminates various provisions relating to consultations with affected state governors on presidentially declared national monuments and conveyances or exchange of lands in various states by the Interior and Agriculture Departments. **Page 24194**

H. Res. 573, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 225 yeas to 198 nays, Roll No. 488. **Page 24118**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Antimicrobial Regulation Technical Corrections: H.R. 4679, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to clarify the circumstances in which a substance is considered to be a pesticide chemical for purposes of such Act; **Page 24282**

Border Smog Reduction: Agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 8, to amend the Clean Air Act to deny entry into the United States of certain foreign motor vehicles that do not comply with State laws governing motor vehicles emissions—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 24283**

Child Online Protection Act: H.R. 3783, amended, to amend section 223 of the Communications Act of 1934 to require persons who are engaged in the business of selling or transferring, by means of the World Wide Web, material that is harmful to minors to restrict access to such material by minors. Agreed to amend the title; **Page 24285**

Multichannel Video Competition and Consumer Protection: H.R. 2921, amended, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to require the Federal Communications Commission to conduct an inquiry into the impediments to the development of competition in the market for multichannel video programming distribution. Agreed to amend the title; **Page 24316**

Designating the Corporal Harold Gomez Post Office: H.R. 4616, to designate the United States Post Office located at 3813 Main Street in East Chicago, Indiana, as the "Corporal Harold Gomez Post Office" (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 425 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 491); **Pages 24321, 24324**

Designating the Mervyn Dymally Post Office Building: H.R. 2348, to redesignate the Federal building located at 701 South Santa Fe Avenue in Compton, Cali-

fornia, and known as the Compton Main Post Office, as the "Mervyn Dymally Post Office Building" (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 421 yeas with 1 voting "nay", Roll No. 492); **Page 24322**

Curt Flood: S. 53, to require the general application of the antitrust laws to major league baseball—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 24327**

Sonny Bono Copyright Term Extension Act: S. 505, to amend the provisions of title 17, United States Code, with respect to the duration of copyright—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 24331**

Judicial Appointments: S. 1892, to provide that a person closely related to a judge of a court exercising judicial power under article III of the United States Constitution (other than the Supreme Court) may not be appointed as a judge of the same court—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 24372**

Crime Identification Technology Act: S. 2022, amended, to provide for the improvement of interstate criminal justice identification, information, communications, and forensics; **Page 24373**

Identity Theft and Assumption Deterrence: H.R. 4151, amended, to amend chapter 47 of title 18, United States Code, relating to identity fraud; **Page 24379**

Crime Victims with Disabilities: S. 1976, to increase public awareness of the plight of victims of crime with developmental disabilities, to collect data to measure the magnitude of the problem, and to develop strategies to address the safety and justice needs of victims of crime with developmental disabilities—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 24385**

COPS on the Beat Funding: H.R. 804, to amend part Q of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to ensure that Federal funds made available to hire or rehire law enforcement officers are used in a manner that produces a net gain of the number of law enforcement officers who perform nonadministrative public safety services; **Page 24386**

Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland Cultural Exchange and Training Program: H.R. 4293, amended, to establish a cultural and training program for disadvantaged individuals from Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland; **Page 24388**

Treasury, Postal Appropriations: The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4104, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, by a ye and nay vote of 290 yeas to 137 nays Roll No. 494. **Pages 24304, 24325**

Rejected the Hoyer motion to recommit the conference report to the conference committee with instructions to insist on section 624 of H.R. 4104 dealing with contra-

ceptive prescription coverage under the Federal Employees Health Benefit Plan (rejected by a ye and nay vote, Roll No. 493). **Pages 24316, 24325**

H. Res. 579, the rule waiving points of order against the conference report accompanying the bill, was agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 231 yeas to 194 nays, Roll No. 490. **Page 24295**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages 24102 and 24295.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 24398.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Eight ye and nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 24117, 24126, 24252, 24303, 24324, 24325, and 24326. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 12:01 a.m. on October 8.

Committee Meetings

FDA MODERNIZATION ACT

Committee on Commerce: Held a hearing on the Implementation of the Food and Drug Administration Modernization Act of 1997. Testimony was heard from Michael A. Friedman, M.D., Acting Commissioner, Food and Drugs, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—EX-IM BANK

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade held an oversight hearing on Ex-Im Bank. Testimony was heard from James Harmon, President and Chairman, Export-Import Bank; Jayetta Hecker, Associate Director, GAO; and public witnesses.

NATIONAL MILITARY STRATEGY

Committee on National Security: Held a hearing on the state of U.S. military forces and their ability to execute the National military strategy. Testimony was heard from the following former officials of the Department of Defense: Gen. Gordon S. Sullivan, USA, Chief of Staff; Adm. Frank Kelso, USN, Chief of Naval Operations; Gen. Thomas Moorman, Jr., USAF, Vice Chief of Staff; and Gen. Richard I. Neal, USMC, Assistant Commandant.

GRAND STAIRCASE ESCALANTE NATIONAL MONUMENT REPORT; MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Resources: Approved a draft Committee Report concerning the Grand Staircase Escalante National Monument.

The Committee also held a hearing on H.R. 2822, Swan Creek Black River Confederated Ojibwa Tribes of Michigan Act. Testimony was heard from Representatives

Knollenberg and Camp; Kevin Gover, Assistant Secretary, Native American Affairs, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

WAIVING CERTAIN ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.J. Res. 131, waiving certain enrollment requirements for the remainder of the One Hundred Fifth Congress with respect to any bill or joint resolution making general or continuing appropriations for fiscal year 1999, equally divided and controlled by the Majority Leader and the Minority Leader or their designees. The rule provides one motion to recommit.

CONFERENCE REPORT—TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE, GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 4104, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard from Representative Kolbe.

INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION—PROPOSED BAIL-OUT FOR RUSSIA

Committee on Science: Held an oversight hearing on the International Space Station, The Administration's Proposed Bail-Out for Russia. Testimony was heard from the following officials of NASA: Daniel S. Goldin, Administrator; and Jay Chabrow, Chairman, Cost Assessment and Validation Task Force, Advisory Council; and public witnesses.

DOMAIN NAME SYSTEM TRANSFER

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Basic Research and the Subcommittee on Technology held a joint oversight hearing on Transferring the Domain Name System to the Private Sector: Private Sector Implementation of the Administration's Internet "White Paper". Testimony was heard from J. Beckwith Burr, Associate Administrator, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, Office of International Affairs, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE ISSUES RELATED TO Y2K PROBLEM

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Continued hearings to review Transportation and Infrastructure Issues related to the Year 2000 Computer Problem "Y2K: Will We Get There On Time?" with emphasis on Coast Guard, Maritime and Water Resources. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department

of Transportation: Rear Adm. George Naccara, USCG, Director, Information and Technology; and John Graykowski, Acting Deputy Administrator, Maritime Administration; Alvin Pesachowitz, Chief Information Officer, EPA; Lacy Suiter, Executive Associate Director, FEMA; John D'Aniello, Departmental Director, Civil Works, Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army; Diane Bunch, Manager, Enterprise Operations, TVA; and public witnesses.

S. Res. 260, expressing the sense of the Senate that October 11, 1998, should be designated as "National Children's Day".

S. Res. 271, designating October 16, 1998, as "National Mammography Day".

S. 2024, to increase the penalties for trafficking in methamphetamine in order to equalize those penalties with the penalties for trafficking in crack cocaine.

S. Con. Res. 83, remembering the life of George Washington and his contributions to the Nation.

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Measures Passed:

Internet Tax Freedom Act: By 96 yeas to 2 nays (Vote No. 308), Senate passed S. 442, to establish a national policy against State and local government interference with interstate commerce on the Internet or interactive computer services, and to exercise Congressional jurisdiction over interstate commerce by establishing a moratorium on the imposition of exactions that would interfere with the free flow of commerce via the Internet, after taking action on further amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

McCain/Wyden Modified Amendment No. 3719, to make changes in the moratorium provision, as amended.

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McCain/Wyden Modified Amendment No. 3711, to define the term "discriminatory tax".

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Also, Amendment No. 3718, agreed to on October 7, 1998, was further modified.

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Aviator Continuation Pay: Senate passed S. 2584, to provide aviator continuation pay for military members killed in Operation Desert Shield.

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Eney, Chestnut, Gibson Memorial Building: Committee on Rules and Administration was discharged from further consideration of S. Con. Res. 120, to redesignate the United States Capitol Police headquarters building located at 119 D Street, Northeast, Washington, D.C., as the "Eney, Chestnut, Gibson Memorial Building", and the resolution was then agreed to.

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Noncitizen Benefit Clarification: Senate passed H.R. 4558, to make technical amendments to clarify the provision of benefits for noncitizens, and to improve the provision of unemployment insurance, child support, and supplemental security income benefits, clearing the measure for the President.

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Vietnam Veterans of America 20th Anniversary: Senate agreed to S. Res. 207, commemorating the 20th anniversary of the founding of the Vietnam Veterans of America.

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Torture Victims Relief Act: Senate passed H.R. 4309, to provide a comprehensive program of support for victims of torture, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Joint Meetings

IMF REFORM

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded hearings on proposals to reform the International Monetary Fund and the future course of international economic policy, after receiving testimony from Charles Calomiris, Columbia University, New York, New York; and Jacob Frenkel, Bank of Israel, Jerusalem, former Research Director of the International Monetary Fund.

CARL D. PERKINS VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL EDUCATION ACT AMENDMENTS

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 1853, to amend the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Nineteen bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2577-2595, S. Res. 292 and 293, and S. Con. Res. 125 and 126. **Page 24550**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 109, to provide Federal housing assistance to Native Hawaiians, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105-380)

Report to accompany S. 777, to authorize the construction of the Lewis and Clark Rural Water System and to authorize assistance to the Lewis and Clark Rural Water System, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, for planning and construction of the water supply system, passed by the Senate. (S. Rept. No. 105-381)

Special report entitled "Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 1999". (S. Rept. No. 105-382)

Jeffords (for Grams) Amendment No. 3792, to provide funds for assistance for domestic centers and programs for the treatment of victims of torture. **Page 24630**

Persian Gulf War Veterans Act: Senate passed S. 2358, to provide for the establishment of a presumption of service-connection for illnesses associated with service in the Persian Gulf War, and to extend and enhance certain health care authorities relating to such service, after agreeing to committee amendments. **Page 24630**

Next Generation Internet Research Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 3332, to amend the High-Performance Computing Act of 1991 to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1999 and 2000 for the Next Generation Internet program, to require the Advisory Committee on High-Performance Computing and Communications, Information Technology, and the Next Generation Internet to monitor and give advice concerning the development and implementation of the Next Generation Internet program and report to the President and the Congress on its activities, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 24637**

Federal Research Investment Act: Senate passed S. 2217, to provide for continuation of the Federal research investment in a fiscally sustainable way, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 24638**

Muhammad Ali Boxing Reform Act: Senate passed S. 2238, to reform unfair and anticompetitive practices in the professional boxing industry, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 24640**

Automated Entry-Exit Control System Extension: Senate passed H.R. 4658, to extend the date by which an automated entry-exit control system must be developed, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 24642**

Drug Free Borders Act: Senate passed H.R. 3809, to authorize appropriations for the United States Customs Service for fiscal years 2000 and 2001, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 24642**

Glacier Bay National Park Boundary Adjustment Act: Senate passed H.R. 3903, to provide for an exchange of lands located near Gustavus, Alaska, after taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 24647**

Jeffords (for Murkowski) Amendment No. 3794, to make technical and clarifying changes. **Page 24647**

Mahatma Gandhi Memorial: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4284, to authorize the Government of India to establish a memorial to honor Mahatma Gandhi

in the District of Columbia, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 24647**

National Observances: Senate passed S. 2524, to clarify without substantive change laws related to Patriotic and National Observances, Ceremonies, and Organizations and to improve the United States Code. **Page 24648**

Community-Designed Charter Schools: Committee on Labor and Human Resources was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 2616, to amend titles VI and X of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to improve and expand charter schools, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 24655**

Jeffords (for Coats) Amendment No. 3795, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 24655**

Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act: Senate passed S. 1970, to require the Secretary of the Interior to establish a program to provide assistance in the conservation of neotropical migratory birds, after withdrawing the committee amendments, and agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 24655**

Jeffords (for Chafee) Amendment No. 3796, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 24657**

Black Patriots Foundation: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources was discharged from further consideration of S. 2427, to amend the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 to extend the legislative authority for the Black Patriots Foundation to establish a commemorative work, and the bill was then passed. **Page 24659**

Water Resources Development Act: Senate passed S. 2131, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendments proposed thereto: **Page 24659**

Jeffords (for Chafee) Amendment No. 3798, to make certain technical corrections. **Page 24670**

Jeffords (for Chafee) Amendment No. 3799, to provide for further water resource programs. **Page 24670**

Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act: Senate passed S. 361, to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to prohibit the sale, import, and export of products labeled as containing endangered species, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 24674**

Jeffords (for Chafee) Amendment No. 3797, of a technical nature. **Page 24675**

Ireland Cultural and Training Program: Senate passed H.R. 4293, to establish a cultural and training program for disadvantaged individuals from Northern Ire-

land and the Republic of Ireland, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 24676**

Passage Vitiating: Senate vitiated passage of the following bills:

Glacier Bay National Park Boundary Adjustment Act: H.R. 3903, to provide for an exchange of lands located near Gustavus, Alaska. (Passed October 2, 1998) **Page 24647**

Lewis and Clark Rural Water System Act: S. 777, to authorize the construction of the Lewis and Clark Rural Water System and to authorize assistance to the Lewis and Clark Rural Water System, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, for planning and construction of the water supply system. (Passed October 7, 1998.) **Page 24618**

Freedom From Religious Persecution Act: Senate began consideration of H.R. 2431, to establish an Office of Religious Persecution Monitoring, and to provide for the imposition of sanctions against countries engaged in a pattern of religious persecution, taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto:

Pages 24484, 24521, 24540

Adopted:

Nickles Amendment No. 3789, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages 24484, 24521, 24540**

Prior to this action, the cloture motion was vitiated. **Page 24484**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing further consideration of the bill on Friday, October 9, 1998, with a vote to occur thereon at 9:45 a.m. **Page 24488**

Financial Services Act: Senate resumed consideration of H.R. 10, to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, and other financial service providers, with a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages 24489, 24540**

VA/HUD Appropriations Conference Report: By 96 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 307), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4194, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 24409**

Head Start/Low-Income Energy Assistance/Community Services Block Grant Authorizations—Conference Report: Senate agreed to the conference report on S. 2206, to amend the Head Start Act, the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981, and the Community Services Block Grant Act to reauthorize and make improvements to those Acts, and to establish demonstration projects that provide an opportunity for persons with limited means to accumulate assets. **Page 24444**

WIPO Copyright Treaties Implementation Act—Conference Report: Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 2281, to amend title 17, United States Code, to implement the World Intellectual Property Organization Copyright Treaty and Performances and Phonograms Treaty, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 24463**

Intelligence Authorizations Conference Report: Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 3694, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 24480**

Carl D. Perkins Tech-Prep Education Act Conference Report: Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 1853, to amend the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act. **Page 24617**

Crime Identification Technology Act: Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to S. 2022, to provide for the improvement of interstate criminal justice identification, information, communications, and forensics, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 24618**

Energy Conservation Reauthorization Act: Senate concurred in the amendments of the House to S. 417, to extend energy conservation programs under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act through September 30, 2002, with the following amendment: **Page 24644**

Jeffords (for Murkowski/Akaka) Amendment No. 3793, to extend certain programs under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act and the Energy Conservation and Production Act. **Page 24646**

Commercial Space Act: Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 1702, to encourage the development of a commercial space industry in the United States, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 24651**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 57 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. 309EX), William A. Fletcher, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit. **Page 24463**

Robert Bruce King, of West Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit.

H. Dean Buttram, Jr., of Alabama, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama.

Inge Prytz Johnson, of Alabama, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama. **Page 24463**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

John A. Moran, of Virginia, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner for the term expiring June 30, 2000.

Kenneth M. Bresnahan, of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Labor.

Timothy F. Geithner, of New York, to be an Under Secretary of the Treasury.

Gary Gensler, of Maryland, to be an Under Secretary of the Treasury.

Edwin M. Truman, of Maryland, to be a Deputy Under Secretary of the Treasury.

Timothy Fields, Jr., of Virginia, to be Assistant Administrator, Office of Solid Waste, Environmental Protection Agency. **Page 24463**

Nominations Withdrawn: Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nomination:

John A. Moran, of Virginia, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner, which was sent to the Senate on October 5, 1998. **Page 24463**

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Additional Cosponsors: **Page 24570**

Amendments Submitted: **Page 24573**

Authority for Committees: **Page 24596**

Additional Statements: **Page 24597**

Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—309) **Pages 24424, 24435, 24463**

Recess: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and recessed at 9:20 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, October 9, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 24677.)

Committee Meetings

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported 1,731 routine nominations in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force.

DOE POSITION ELEVATION

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings to review the recommendation to elevate the position of the Director, Office of Non-Proliferation and National Security of the Department of Energy, after receiving testimony from Rose E. Gottemoeller, Director, Office of Non-Proliferation and National Security of the Department of Energy.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of William C. Apgar, Jr., of Massachusetts, to be Assistant

Secretary for Housing and Federal Housing Administrator, Saul N. Ramirez, Jr., of Texas, to be Deputy Secretary, Cardell Cooper, of New Jersey, to be Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, Harold Lucas, of New Jersey, to be Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, and Ira G. Peppercorn, of Indiana, to be Director of the Office of Multifamily Housing Assistance Restructuring, all of the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

NOMINATION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Ashish Sen, of Illinois, to be Director of the Bureau of Transportation Statistics, Department of Transportation, after the nominee, who was introduced by Representative Danny Davis, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Robert W. Perciasepe, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Administrator for Air and Radiation of the Environmental Protection Agency, Isadore Rosenthal, of Pennsylvania, and Andrea Kidd Taylor, of Michigan, both to be Members of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board, and William Clifford Smith, of Louisiana, to be a Member of the Mississippi River Commission.

Prior to this action, committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Mr. Perciasepe, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

COLUMBIA/SNAKE RIVER SYSTEM SALMON RECOVERY

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Drinking Water, Fisheries, and Wildlife concluded oversight hearings to examine scientific and engineering issues relating to Columbia/Snake River system salmon recovery, after receiving testimony from Col. Eric Mogren, Deputy Commander, Northwestern Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; Danny Consenstein, Columbia Basin Coordinator, National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce; Daniel D. Roby, Oregon Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Unit, U.S. Geological Survey-Biological Resources Division, and Department of Fisheries and Wildlife/Oregon State University, Corvallis; Joseph Cloud, Department of Biological Sciences/University of Idaho, Moscow; and Richard K. Fisher, Jr., Voith Hydro, Inc., York, Pennsylvania.

AFGHANISTAN

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs concluded hearings to examine recent events in Afghanistan, after receiving testimony from Karl Frederick Inderfurth, Assistant Secretary of State for South Asian Affairs; A. Abdallah, Representa-

tive of the Islamic State of Afghanistan to the United States; Zalmay Khalilzad, RAND Corporation, Washington, DC; and Barnett Rubin, Council on Foreign Relations, New York, New York.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nominations of David O. Carter, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, William J. Hibbler, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, Yvette Kane, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, Robert S. Lasnik, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Washington, Norman A. Mordue, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of New York, James M. Munley, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, Alex R. Munson, to be Judge for the District Court for the Northern Mariana Islands, Margaret B. Seymour, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina, Aleta A. Trauger, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Tennessee, Francis M. Allegra, of Virginia, Lawrence Baskir, of Maryland, Lynn Jeanne Bush, of the District of Columbia, Edward J. Damich, of Virginia, Nancy B. Firestone, of Virginia, and Emily Clark Hewitt, of Massachusetts, each to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, Margaret Ellen Curran, to be United States Attorney for the District of Rhode Island, Byron Todd Jones, to be United States Attorney for the District of Minnesota, Harry Litman, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Pennsylvania, Denise E. O'Donnell, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of New York, and Donnie R. Marshall, of Texas, to be Deputy Administrator of the Drug Enforcement Agency, Department of Justice;

S. 2024, to increase the penalties for trafficking in methamphetamine in order to equalize those penalties with the penalties for trafficking in crack cocaine;

S. Con. Res. 83, remembering the life of George Washington and his contributions to the Nation;

S. Res. 257, expressing the sense of the Senate that October 15, 1998, should be designated as "National Inhalant Abuse Awareness Day";

S. Res. 271, designating October 16, 1998, as "National Mammography Day"; and

S. Res. 260, expressing the sense of the Senate that October 11, 1998, should be designated as "National Children's Day".

NATIONAL SECURITY INFORMATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information concluded hearings to examine the use of classified evidence in certain immigration exclusion case proceedings, after receiving testimony from Paul W. Virtue, General Counsel, Immi-

gration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice; Warren Marik, Information for Democracy, former Central Intelligence Agency Case Office, and R. James Woolsey, Shea & Gardner, former Director of Central Intelligence, both of Washington, D.C.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 24 public bills, H.R. 4732–4755; and 14 resolutions, H.J. Res. 132, H. Con. Res. 336–345, and H. Res. 583, 585, 587, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Conference report on H.R. 2281, to amend title 17, United States Code, to implement the World Intellectual Property Organization Copyright Treaty and Performances and Phonograms Treaty (H. Rept. 105–796);

Report in the matter of Representative Jay Kim (H. Rept. 105–797);

H. Res. 580, providing for consideration of H.R. 4274, making appropriations for the Department of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–798);

H. Res. 586, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 3150, to amend title 11 of the United States Code (H. Rept. 105–799);

Conference report on H.R. 1853, to amend the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act (H. Rept. 105–800);

H.R. 3888, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to improve the protection of consumers against "slamming" by telecommunications carriers, amended (H. Rept. 105–801);

H.R. 4353, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977 to improve the competitiveness of American business and promote foreign commerce (H. Rept. 105–802);

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Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Wednesday, October 7 by a yeas and nays vote of 325 yeas to 72 nays with 9 voting "present", Roll No. 495.

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Recess: The House recessed at 10:23 a.m. and reconvened at 10:55 a.m.

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Impeachment Resolution: The House agreed to H. Res. 581, authorizing and directing the Committee on the Judiciary to investigate whether sufficient grounds exist for the impeachment of William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States, by a recorded vote of 258 ayes to 176 noes, Roll No. 498. **Pages 24679, 24698**

Rejected the Boucher motion to recommit the resolution to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report the resolution back with an amendment to strike the first section and insert provisions to conduct an inquiry and if appropriate to act upon the Referral from the Independent Counsel; to review the constitutional standard for impeachment; and investigate whether sufficient grounds exist for the House to exercise its constitutional power to impeach the President. Following the conclusion of its inquiry the Committee shall make its recommendations sufficiently in advance of December 31, 1998 for the House to consider them (rejected by a yeay and nay vote of 198 yeas to 236 nays, Roll No. 497).

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Hand-Enrollment Resolution: The House passed H.J. Res. 131, waiving certain enrollment requirements for the remainder of the One Hundred Fifth Congress with respect to any bill or joint resolution making general or continuing appropriations for fiscal year 1999.

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H. Res. 580, the rule that provided for consideration of joint resolution, was agreed to by voice vote.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Congressional Medal of Honor to Theodore Roosevelt: H.R. 2263, to authorize and request the President to award the congressional Medal of Honor posthumously to Theodore Roosevelt for his gallant and heroic actions in the attack on San Juan Heights, Cuba, during the Spanish-American War; **Pages 24737, 24766**

Science Policy Report: H. Res. 578, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the print of the Committee on Science entitled "Unlocking Our Future: Toward a New National Science Policy" should serve as a framework for future deliberations on congressional science policy and funding; **Page 24766**

International Child Labor Relief: H.R. 4506, amended, to provide for United States support for developmental alternatives for underage child workers; **Page 24780**

Providing Rewards for Information: H.R. 4660, amended, to amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to provide rewards for information leading to the arrest or conviction of any individual for the commission of an act, or conspiracy to act, of international terrorism, narcotics related offenses, or for serious

violations of international humanitarian law relating to the Former Yugoslavia. Agreed to amend the title;

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Condemning Forced Abduction of Ugandan Children: H. Con. Res. 309, amended, condemning the forced abduction of Ugandan children and their use as soldiers; **Page 24801**

Veterans Employment Opportunities: S. 1021, to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that consideration may not be denied to preference eligibles applying for certain positions in the competitive service—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 24803**

Federal Employee Life Insurance Programs: Agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 2675, to require that the Office of Personnel Management submit proposed legislation under which group universal life insurance and group variable universal life insurance would be available under chapter 87 of title 5, United States Code—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 24808**

Recognizing Importance of Children and Families: H. Con. Res. 302, recognizing the importance of children and families in the United States and expressing support for the goals of National Kids Day and National Family Month; **Page 24811**

Campaign Finance Sunshine: H.R. 2109, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to require reports filed under such Act to be filed electronically and to require the Federal Election Commission to make such reports available to the public within 24 hours of receipt; **Page 24814**

Coats Human Services Reauthorization: Conference report on S. 2206, A bill to amend the Head Start Act, the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981, and the Community Services Block Grant Act to reauthorize and make improvements to those Acts, to establish demonstration projects that provide an opportunity for persons with limited means to accumulate assets—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 24820**

Granting Consent to the Potomac Highlands Airport Authority Compact: S.J. Res. 51, granting the consent of Congress to the Potomac Highlands Airport Authority Compact entered into between the States of Maryland and West Virginia—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 24826**

Depository Institution Regulatory Streamlining: H.R. 4364, amended, to streamline the regulation of depository institutions, to safeguard confidential banking and credit union supervisory information; and **Page 24827**

Fair Credit Reporting Act: S. 2561, to amend the Fair Credit Reporting Act with respect to furnishing and using consumer reports for employment—clearing the measure for the President. **Page 24837**

Suspensions—Votes Postponed: The House completed debate and postponed votes on the following measures until October 9:

Importance of Mammograms and Biopsies: H. Res. 565, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the importance of mammograms and biopsies in the fight against breast cancer; **Page 24771**

Concerning the Inadequacy of Sewage Infrastructure: H. Con. Res. 331, expressing the sense of Congress concerning the inadequacy of sewage infrastructure facilities in Tijuana, Mexico; **Page 24786**

Efforts to Identify Holocaust-era Assets: H. Res. 557, expressing support for U. S. government efforts to identify Holocaust-era assets, urging the restitution of individual and communal property; and **Page 24797**

William F. Goodling Child Nutrition Act: Conference report on H.R. 3874, to amend the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 to make improvements to the special supplemental nutrition program for women, infants, and children and to extend the authority of that program through fiscal year 2003. **Page 24816**

Labor, HHS Appropriations: The House completed general debate and began consideration of amendments to H.R. 4274, making appropriations for the Department of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. **Page 24753**

Agreed To:

The Istook substitute amendment to the Greenwood amendment that prohibits title X funding to a family planning provider that knowingly provides contraceptives to a minor without the consent of a parent or legal guardian (agreed to by a recorded vote of 224 yeas to 200 noes, Roll No. 504); and **Page 24759**

The Greenwood amendment, as amended, that prohibits title X funding to a family planning provider that knowingly provides contraceptives to a minor without the consent of a parent or legal guardian. **Page 24759**

H. Res. 584, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a recorded vote of 214 yeas to 209 noes with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 502. Agreed to table the motion to reconsider the vote by a recorded vote of 230 yeas to 192 noes, Roll No. 503. **Pages 24742, 24745, -24750**

Earlier, agreed to order the previous question by a yeas and nay vote of 224 yeas to 201 nays, Roll No. 500; and agreed to table the motion to reconsider ordering the previous question by a recorded vote of 231 yeas to 197 noes, Roll No. 501. **Page 24748**

Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Obey motion to adjourn by a yeas and nay vote of 58 yeas to 349 nays, Roll No. 499. **Page 24745**

Presidential Veto Message—Agriculture Appropriations: Read a message from the President wherein he an-

nounces his veto of H.R. 4101, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and explains his reasons therefore—referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-321). **Page 24765**

Little Rock Central High School National Historic Site: The House passed S. 2232, to establish the Little Rock Central High School National Historic Site in the State of Arkansas—clearing the measure for the President. **Page 24774**

Federal Properties in Dutch John, Utah: The House passed S. 890, to dispose of certain Federal properties located in Dutch John, Utah, to assist the local government in the interim delivery of basic services to the Dutch John community—clearing the measure for the President. **Page 24775**

Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Act: Agreed to the conference report on H.R. 1853, to amend the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act—clearing the measure for the President. **Page 24819**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on pages 24679, 24751, 24774, and 24801.

Rereferrals: Senate measures rereferred appear on page 24765.

Referrals: Senate measures referred to House committees appear on page 24883.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page 24886.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Five yeas and nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 24678, 24710, 24734, 24745, 24748, 24749, 24750, and 24764. There was one quorum call (Roll No. 496).

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 1:40 a.m. on Friday, October 9.

Committee Meetings

U.S. TRADE ISSUES WITH CANADA

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities held a hearing on current U.S. trade issues with Canada. Testimony was heard from Representative Hill; and public witnesses.

COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION—REVIEW BUDGET—ANNUAL PERFORMANCE PLAN

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Risk Management and Specialty Crops held a hearing on Review of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission's FY 2000 Budget and Annual Performance Plan. Testimony was

heard from Brooksley Born, Chairperson, Commodity Futures Trading Commission; and Richard J. Hillman, Acting Associate Director, Financial Institutions and Markets Issues, General Government Division, GAO.

WILL JUMBO EURO NOTES THREATEN THE GREENBACK?

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy held a hearing on Will Jumbo Euro Notes Threaten the Greenback? Testimony was heard from Theodore E. Allison, Assistant to the Board, System Affairs, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; and Gary Gensler, Assistant Secretary, Financial Markets, Department of the Treasury.

SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT AMENDMENTS IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment held a hearing on the Implementation of the 1996 Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments. Testimony was heard from the following officials of EPA: J. Charles Fox, Acting Assistant Administrator, Water; and Cynthia C. Dougherty, Director, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water; and public witnesses.

DOE'S HANFORD RADIOACTIVE TANK WASTE PRIVATIZATION CONTRACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on A Review of the Department of Energy's Hanford Radioactive Tank Waste Privatization Contract. Testimony was heard from Representative Hastings of Washington; Gary L. Jones, Associate Director, Energy, Resources and Science Issues, Resources, Community and Economic Development Division, GAO; the following officials of the Department of Energy: Ernest J. Moniz, Under Secretary; James M. Owendoff, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Environmental Restoration; John Wagoner, Manager, Richland Operations Office; and Walter S. Howes, Director, Contract Reform and Privatization; and public witnesses.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION—YEAR 2000 PROBLEM

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on the Year 2000 Problem at the Department of Education, Part II. Testimony was heard from Joel Willemssen, Director, Information Resources Management, Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO; and Marshall S. Smith, Acting Deputy Secretary, Department of Education; and the following officials of the Corporation for National and Community Service: Wendy Zenker, Chief Operating Officer; and William Anderson, Assistant Inspector General, Audit.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES AND REPORTS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 4523, Lorton Technical Corrections Act of 1998; and H.R. 4566, District of Columbia Courts and Justice Technical Corrections Act of 1998.

The Committee also approved the following draft reports entitled: "Hepatitis C: Silent Epidemic, Mute Public Health Response;" "Medicare Home Health Services: No Surety in the Fight Against Fraud and Waste;" "The Year 2000 Problem;" and "Campaign Fundraising Improprieties and Other Possible Violations of Law."

The Committee also approved the release of Depositions and Interrogatories.

ASSESSING ADMINISTRATION'S FOREIGN POLICY

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on Assessing the Administration's Foreign Policy: The Record After Six Years. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE MODERNIZATION

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Procurement and the Subcommittee on Military Research and Development held a joint hearing on Department of Defense modernization. Testimony was heard from Jacques S. Gansler, Under Secretary, Acquisition and Technology, Department of Defense; Richard Davis, Director, National Security Analysis, National Security and International Affairs Division, GAO; and public witnesses.

NAVY SHIP DONATION PROCEDURES

Committee on National Security: Subcommittee on Military Procurement held a hearing on Navy ship donation procedures. Testimony was heard from Representative Andrews; Michael C. Hammes, Deputy Assistant Secretary (Research, Development and Acquisition), Department of the Navy; Joseph Azzolina, Assemblyman, State of New Jersey; and a public witness.

CONFERENCE REPORT—BANKRUPTCY REFORM ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 3150, Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1998, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard from Representatives Gekas, Nadler, and Jackson-Lee.

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a vote of 7 to 2, a rule providing for the further consideration of H.R. 4274, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related

agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, pursuant to H. Res. 564. The rule provides 1 hour of debate. The rule makes in order, before consideration of any other amendments, the amendments numbered 2 and 3 that were printed in the Rules Committee report (105-762) that accompanied H. Res. 564.

FASTENER QUALITY ACT: NEEDED OR OUTDATED?

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Technology held a hearing on the Fastener Quality Act: Needed or Outdated? Testimony was heard from Representative Manzullo; Raymond Kammer, Director, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

CARL D. PERKINS VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL EDUCATION ACT AMENDMENTS

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 1853, to amend the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act.

Friday, October 9, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 25061-25247

Measures Introduced: Twenty-one bills and seven resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2596-2616, S. Res. 294-298, and S. Con. Res. 127 and 128.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Report to accompany S. 2402, previously reported and passed today. (S. Rept. No. 105-383)

Report to accompany S. 2413, previously reported and passed today. (S. Rept. No. 105-384)

Report to accompany S. 2401, previously reported and passed today. (S. Rept. No. 105-385)

Report to accompany S. 991, previously reported. (S. Rept. No. 105-386)

Report to accompany S. 1960, previously reported. (S. Rept. No. 105-387)

Report to accompany S. 2247, previously reported and passed October 7, 1998. (S. Rept. No. 105-388)

Report to accompany S. 2257, previously reported and passed October 7, 1998. (S. Rept. No. 105-389)

Report to accompany S. 2284, previously reported and passed October 7, 1998. (S. Rept. No. 105-390)

Report to accompany S. 2513, previously reported and passed today. (S. Rept. No. 105-391)

Report to accompany H.R. 2411, previously reported and passed October 7, 1998. (S. Rept. No. 105-392)

Report to accompany H.R. 4166, previously reported and passed October 7, 1998. (S. Rept. No. 105-393)

S. 1344, to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to target assistance to support the economic and political independence of the countries of South Caucasus and Central Asia, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105-394)

Report to accompany S. 1614, previously reported and passed October 7, 1998. (S. Rept. No. 105-395)

Report to accompany S. 2285, previously reported and passed October 7, 1998. (S. Rept. No. 105-396)

Report to accompany S. 1175, previously reported and passed October 7, 1998. (S. Rept. No. 105-397)

Report to accompany S. 2239, previously reported and passed October 7, 1998. (S. Rept. No. 105-398)

Joint Meetings

HUMAN SERVICES/HEAD START AUTHORIZATION

Conferees on Tuesday, October 6, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 2206, to amend the Head Start Act, the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981, and the Community Services Block Grant Act to reauthorize and make improvements to those Acts, and to establish demonstration projects that provide an opportunity for persons with limited means to accumulate assets.

APPROPRIATIONS—TREASURY/POSTAL SERVICES

Conferees on Wednesday, October 7, agreed to file a further conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 4104, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

BANKRUPTCY REFORM

Conferees on Wednesday, October 7, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 3150, to amend title 11 of the United States Code.

DIGITAL MILLENNIUM COPYRIGHT ACT

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 2281, to amend title 17, United States Code, to implement the World Intellectual Property Organization Copyright Treaty and Performances and Phonograms Treaty.

Report to accompany S. 2133, previously reported and passed today. (S. Rept. No. 105-399)

Report to accompany S. 2241, previously reported and passed October 7, 1998. (S. Rept. No. 105-400)

Report to accompany S. 2136, previously reported. (S. Rept. No. 105-401)

Report to accompany S. 2248, previously reported and passed October 7, 1998. (S. Rept. No. 105-402)

S. Res. 257, expressing the sense of the Senate that October 15, 1998, should be designated as "National Inhalant Abuse Awareness Day".

S. 1771, to amend the Colorado Ute Indian Water Rights Settlement Act to provide for a final settlement of the claims of the Colorado Ute Indian Tribes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 25135**

Measures Passed:

Freedom From Religious Persecution Act: By a unanimous vote of 98 yeas (Vote No. 310), Senate passed H.R. 2431, to express United States foreign policy with respect to, and to strengthen United States advocacy on behalf of, individuals persecuted in foreign countries on account of religion to authorize United States actions in response to violations of religious freedom in foreign countries; and to establish an Ambassador at Large for International Religious Freedom within the Department of State, a Commission on International Religious Freedom, and a Special Adviser on International Religious Freedom within the National Security Council, as amended. **Page 25061**

Utah Schools and Lands Exchange Act: Senate passed H.R. 3830, to provide for the exchange of certain lands within the State of Utah, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 25070**

Water Resources Development Act: Senate passed S. 2131, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Lott (for Chafee) Amendment No. 3803, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 25079**

Routt National Forest/Land Exchange: Senate passed H.R. 1021, to provide for a land exchange involving certain National Forest System lands within the Routt National Forest in the State of Colorado, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 25072**

Arizona Forest Lands: Senate passed S. 1752, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain administrative sites and use the proceeds for the acquisition of office sites and the acquisition, construction, or improvement of offices and support buildings for the Coconino National Forest, Kaibab National Forest, Prescott National Forest, and Tonto National Forest in the

State of Arizona, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 25072**

Wellton-Mohawk Irrigation and Drainage District: Senate passed S. 2087, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain works, facilities, and titles of the Gila Project, and designated lands within or adjacent to the Gila Project, to the Wellton-Mohawk Irrigation and Drainage District, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 25072**

Coalbed Methane Gas/Patent Holders: Senate passed S. 2500, to protect the sanctity of contracts and leases entered into by surface patent holders with respect to coalbed methane gas, after agreeing to a committee amendment. **Page 25072**

Land Conveyance: Senate passed S. 2402, to direct the Secretaries of Agriculture and Interior to convey certain lands in San Juan County, New Mexico, to Jan Juan College, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 25073**

Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest: Senate passed S. 2413, prohibiting the conveyance of Woodland Lake Park tract in Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest in the State of Arizona unless the conveyance is made to the town of Pinetop-Lakeside or is authorized by Act of Congress, after agreeing to committee amendments. **Page 25073**

Morristown National Historical Park: Senate passed S. 2458, to amend the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the creation of the Morristown National Historical Park in the State of New Jersey" to authorize the acquisition of property known as the "Warren Property". **Page 25074**

Route 66/America's Main Street: Senate passed S. 2133, to preserve the cultural resources of the Route 66 corridor and to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 25074**

Lott (for Chafee) Amendment No. 3800, to make certain clarifying and technical corrections. **Page 25075**

Paoli Battlefield Site: Senate passed S. 2401, to authorize the addition of the Paoli Battlefield site in Malvern, Pennsylvania, to Valley Forge National Historical Park, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 25076**

Lott (for Murkowski) Amendment No. 3801, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 25076**

Oregon Federal Lands: Senate passed S. 2513, to transfer administrative jurisdiction over certain Federal land located within or adjacent to Rogue River National Forest and to clarify the authority of the Bureau of Land Management to sell and exchange other Federal land in

Oregon, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Lott (for Wyden/Smith) Amendment No. 3802, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to sell certain land at fair market value to Deschutes County, Oregon, and to make technical corrections.

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Continuing Appropriations, 1999: Senate passed H.J. Res. 133, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1999, clearing the measure for the President.

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WWII Memorial Funding: Senate agreed to S. Res. 296, expressing the sense of the Senate that, on completion of construction of a World War II Memorial in Area I of the District of Columbia and its environs, Congress should provide funding for the maintenance, security, and custodial and long-term care of the memorial by the National Park Service.

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Louisville Festival of Faiths: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 274, to express the sense of the Senate that the Louisville Festival of Faiths should be commended and should serve as model for similar festivals in other communities throughout the United States, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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National Children's Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 260, expressing the sense of the Senate that October 11, 1998, should be designated as "National Children's Day".

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National Inhalant Abuse Awareness Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 257, expressing the sense of the Senate that October 15, 1998, should be designated as "National Inhalant Abuse Awareness Day".

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U.S. Diplomatic Relations/Pacific Island Nations: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 277, expressing the sense of the Senate with respect to the importance of diplomatic relations with the Pacific Island nations, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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National Mammography Day: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 271, designating October 16, 1998, as "National Mammography Day", and the resolution was then agreed to.

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George Washington Life and Contributions: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 83, remembering the life of George Washington and his contributions to the Nation.

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Celebrating Young Americans: Senate agreed to S. Res. 278, designating the 30th day of April of 1999, as "Dia de los Ninos: Celebrating Young Americans".

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Continuing Appropriations Enrollment Waiver: Senate passed H.J. Res. 131, waiving certain enrollment re-

quirements for the remainder of the One Hundred Fifth Congress with respect to any bill or joint resolution making general or continuing appropriations for fiscal year 1999, clearing the measure for the President.

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Authorizing Senate Testimony and Representation: Senate agreed to S. Res. 297, to authorize testimony and representation of former and current Senate employees and representation of Senator Craig in *Student Loan Fund of Idaho, Inc. v. Riley, et al.*

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Maryland Financial Assistance: Senate passed H.R. 4337, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide financial assistance to the State of Maryland for a pilot program to develop measures to eradicate or control nutria and restore marshland damaged by nutria, clearing the measure for the President.

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California Indian Policy Advisory Council: Senate passed H.R. 3069, to extend the Advisory Council on California Indian Policy to allow the Advisory Council to advise Congress on the implementation of the proposals and recommendations of the Advisory Council, after rejecting the committee amendment.

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National Institute of Standards and Technology Authorization: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1274, to authorize appropriations for the National Institute of Standards and Technology for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Coats (for Frist/Rockefeller) Amendment No. 3810, in the nature of a substitute.

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Child Protection and Sexual Predator Punishment Act: Senate passed H.R. 3494, to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect children from sexual abuse and exploitation, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Coats (for Hatch/Leahy/DeWine) Amendment No. 3811, to make certain technical and conforming amendments.

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Coats (for Hatch) Amendment No. 3812, to provide for "zero tolerance" for possession of child pornography.

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Armored Car Reciprocity Amendments: Senate passed H.R. 624, to amend the Armored Car Industry Reciprocity Act of 1993 to clarify certain requirements and to improve the flow of interstate commerce, clearing the measure for the President.

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Pesticide Chemical Substance: Senate passed H.R. 4679, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to clarify the circumstances in which a substance is considered to be a pesticide chemical for purposes of such Act, clearing the measure for the President.

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Mississippi Sioux Tribes Judgment Fund Distribution Act: Senate passed S. 391, to provide for the disposition of certain funds appropriated to pay judgment in favor of the Mississippi Sioux Indians, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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American Red Cross 50th Anniversary: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Con. Res. 119, recognizing the 50th anniversary of the American Red Cross Blood Services, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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Passage Vitiated: Senate vitiated passage of the following measure:

Water Resources Development Act: S. 2131, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, as amended. (Passed October 8, 1998)

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Patient Protection Act/Small Business Affordable Health Coverage Act/Health Care Consumer Empowerment Act: By 50 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 311), Senate tabled a motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 4250, to provide new patient protections under group health plans.

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Financial Services Act: Senate resumed consideration of H.R. 10, to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, and other financial service providers, with a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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During consideration of this measure today, Senate took the following action:

Pending:

Lott motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs with instructions to report back forthwith with an amendment, as follows:

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Lott Amendment No. 3804, to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary schools expenses and to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts.

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Lott Amendment No. 3805 (to the instructions of the motion to recommit), to provide that married couples may file a combined return under which each spouse is taxed using the rates applicable to unmarried individuals.

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Lott Amendment No. 3806 (to Amendment No. 3805), to provide that married couples may file a combined return under which each spouse is taxed using the rates applicable to unmarried individuals.

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Treasury/Postal Service Appropriations, 1999—Conference Report: Senate began consideration of the con-

ference report on H.R. 4104, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

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During consideration of this measure today, Senate took the following action:

By 58 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 312), Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to consideration of the conference report.

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Bankruptcy Reform Act—Conference Report: Senate began consideration of the conference report on H.R. 3150, to amend title 11 of the United States Code.

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During consideration of this measure today, Senate took the following action:

By 94 yeas to 2 nays (Vote No. 313), Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to consideration of the conference report.

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Appointments:

North Atlantic Assembly: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, in accordance with 22 U.S.C. 1928a–1928d, as amended, appointed the following Senators as members of the Senate Delegation to the North Atlantic Assembly during the Second Session of the 105th Congress, to be held in Edinburgh, United Kingdom, November 9–14, 1998: Senators Hatch, Warner, Grassley, Specter, Hutchinson, Sessions, Smith (of Oregon), Thompson, Bumpers, Mikulski, and Akaka.

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Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the semiannual report on Cuban Liberty and Democratic Solidarity (LIBERTAD) Act; referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM–161).

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Jack J. Spitzer, of Washington, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Fifty-second Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Frank J. Guarini, of New Jersey, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Fifty-second Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

James M. Simon, Jr., of Alabama, to be Assistant Director of Central Intelligence for Administration.

Arthur J. Naparstek, of Ohio, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2003.

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Messages From the President:

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Messages From the House:

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Executive Reports of Committees:

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Text of S. 2131 as passed today:	Page 25080

Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—313) **Pages 25069, 25070, 25103, 25120**

Recess: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and recessed at 7:50 p.m., until 12 noon, on Saturday, October 10, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 25247.)

Committee Meetings

NOMINATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of T. J. Glauthier, of California, to be Deputy Secretary of Energy.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Patricia T. Montoya, of New Mexico, to be Commissioner on Children, Youth, and Families, Department of Health and Human Services, and David C. Williams, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Department of the Treasury.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Sylvia M. Mathews, of West Virginia, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget, David M. Walker, of Georgia, to be Comptroller General of the United States, General Accounting Office, John U. Sepulveda, of New York, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Personnel Management, Joseph Swerdzewski, of Colorado, to be General Counsel of the Federal Labor Relations Authority, Dana Bruce Covington, Sr., of Mississippi, and Edward Jay Gleiman, of Maryland, both to be Commissioners of the Postal Rate Commission, Gregory H. Friedman, of Colorado, to be Inspector General of the Department of Energy, Eljay B. Bowron, of Michigan, to be Inspector General, Department of the Interior, and David C. Williams, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Department of the Treasury.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 27 public bills, H.R. 4756–4782; 2 private bills, H.R. 4783–4784; and 4 resolutions, H.J. Res. 133, H. Con. Res. 347, and H. Res. 590–591, were introduced. **Page 25058**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Conference report on S. 1260, to amend the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to limit the conduct of securities class actions under State law (H. Rept. 105–803);

Investigation into Iranian Arms Shipments to Bosnia (H. Rept. 105–804);

H. Res. 588, providing for consideration of H.R. 4761, to require the United States Trade Representative to take certain actions in response to the failure of the European Union to comply with the rulings of the World Trade Organization (H. Rept. 105–805); and

H. Res. 589, waiving a requirement of clause 4(b) of rule XI with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 105–806). **Pages 24971, 25058**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Emerson to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 24924**

Bankruptcy Reform: The House agreed to the conference report accompanying H.R. 3150, to amend title 11 of the United States Code, by a recorded vote of 300 ayes to 125 noes, Roll No. 506. **Pages 24930, 24946**

Subsequently, agreed to H. Con. Res. 346, to correct the enrollment of the bill. **Page 24946**

Rejected the Nadler motion to recommit the conference report to the committee of conference with instructions to disagree to section 110 of the conference report and agree to section 210 and section 211 of the Senate amendment and disagree to section 149 of the conference report and agree to section 315 of the Senate amendment (rejected by a yeas and nays vote of 157 yeas to 266 nays, Roll No. 505). **Page 24942**

H. Res. 586, the rule that waived points of order against the conference report accompanying the bill, was agreed to by voice vote. **Page 24926**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Importance of Mammograms and Biopsies: H. Res. 565, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the importance of mammograms and biopsies in the fight against breast cancer (agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 424 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 507). Debated October 8; **Page 24943**

Efforts to Identify Holocaust-era Assets: H. Res. 557, expressing support for U. S. government efforts to iden-

tify Holocaust-era assets, urging the restitution of individual and communal property (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 427 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 509). Debated October 8; **Page 24945**

William F. Goodling Child Nutrition Act: Agreed to the conference report accompanying H.R. 3874, to amend the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 to make improvements to the special supplemental nutrition program for women, infants, and children and to extend the authority of that program through fiscal year 2003 (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 422 yeas to with 1 voting "nay", Roll No. 510)—clearing the measure for the President. Debated October 8; **Page 24946**

Plant Patent Amendments: H.R. 1197, to amend title 35, United States Code, to protect patent owners against the unauthorized sale of plant parts taken from plants illegally reproduced; **Page 24963**

Origins and Development of Country Music: H. Con. Res. 214, recognizing the contributions of the cities of Bristol, Tennessee, and Bristol, Virginia, and their people to the origins and development of Country Music; **Page 24979**

Assistive Technology: S. 2432, amended, to support programs of grants to States to address the assistive technology needs of individuals with disabilities; **Page 24981**

International Anti-Bribery and Fair Competition: H.R. 4353, amended, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977 to improve the competitiveness of American business and promote foreign commerce. Subsequently, the House passed S. 2375 in lieu after amending it to contain the language of H.R. 4353, as passed by the House. Agreed to amend the title. H.R. 4353 was then laid on the table; **Page 25007**

Recognizing Suicide as National Problem: H. Res. 212, recognizing suicide as a national problem; **Page 25015**

Designations for U.S. Postal Buildings in Florida: H.R. 4052, amended, to establish designations for United States Postal Service buildings located in Coconut Grove, Opa Locka, Carol City, and Miami, Florida; **Page 25017**

Designating Justice John McKinley Federal Building: S. 1298, to designate a Federal building located in Florence, Alabama, as the "Justice John McKinley Federal Building"—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 25019**

Designating Jacob Joseph Chestnut Post Office Building: H.R. 4516, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 11550 Livingston Road, in Oxon Hill, Maryland, as the "Jacob Joseph Chestnut Post Office Building"; **Page 25019**

Awarding Congressional Gold Medals: H.R. 2560, amended, to award congressional gold medals to Jean

Brown Trickey, Carlotta Walls LaNier, Melba Patillo Beals, Terrence Roberts, Gloria Ray Karlmark, Thelma Mothershed Wair, Ernest Green, Elizabeth Eckford, and Jefferson Thomas, commonly referred to collectively as the "Little Rock Nine" on the occasion of the 40th anniversary of the integration of Central High School in Little Rock, Arkansas. **Page 25030**

Criminal Use of Guns: S. 191, amended, to throttle criminal use of guns; **Page 25036**

Encouraging School Resource Officers: S. 2235, to amend part Q of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to encourage the use of school resource officers—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 25037**

Trademark Law Treaty Implementation: S. 2193, to implement the provisions of the Trademark Law Treaty—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 25041**

Tunnison Lab Hagerman Field Station: S. 2505, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey title to the Tunnison Lab Hagerman Field Station in Gooding County, Idaho, to the University of Idaho—clearing the measure for the President; and **Page 25045**

Fish and Wildlife Revenue Enhancement: S. 2094, to amend the Fish and Wildlife Improvement Act of 1978 to enable the Secretary of the Interior to more effectively use the proceeds of sales of certain items—clearing the measure for the President. **Page 25046**

Suspension—Failed: The House failed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

Concerning the Inadequacy of Sewage Infrastructure: H. Con. Res. 331, expressing the sense of Congress concerning the inadequacy of sewage infrastructure facilities in Tijuana, Mexico (failed by a recorded vote of 250 yeas to 174 noes, Roll No. 508, two-thirds required for passage). Debated October 8. **Page 24944**

Suspension—Votes Postponed: The House completed debate and postponed votes on the following measures:

Medicare Home Health Care and Veterans Health Care Improvement: H.R. 4567, amended, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make revisions in the per beneficiary and per visit payment limits on payment for health services under the Medicare Program; **Page 24947**

Taiwan World Health Organization: H. Con. Res. 334, relating to Taiwan's participation in the World Health Organization; **Page 24965**

Supporting the Baltic People: H. Con. Res. 320, amended, supporting the Baltic people of Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania, and condemning the Nazi-Soviet Pact of Non-Aggression of August 23, 1939; **Page 24974**

Community-Designed Charter Schools: To agree to the Senate amendment to H.R. 2616, to amend titles VI

and X of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to improve and expand charter schools; **Page 24992**

National Salvage Motor Vehicle Consumer Protection: S. 852, amended, to establish nationally uniform requirements regarding the titling and registration of salvage, nonrepairable, and rebuilt vehicles; **Page 25000**

Native American Programs Act Amendments: The House passed S. 459, to amend the Native American Programs Act of 1974 to extend certain authorizations. Earlier, agreed to the Goodling en bloc amendments.

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Making Continuing Appropriations: The House passed H.J. Res. 133, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1999, by a yea and nay vote of 421 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 511. **Page 25021**

Extension of Remarks: Agreed that members have until publication of the last edition of the congressional record authorized for the second session by the joint committee on printing to revise and extend their remarks and to include brief, related extraneous material on any matter occurring before the adjournment of the second session sine die. **Page 25030**

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 10 a.m. on Saturday, October 10. **Page 25030**

Social Security Advisory Board: The Chair announced the Speaker's reappointment of the following member to the Social Security Advisory Board to fill the existing vacancy thereon: Ms. Jo Anne Barnhart of Arlington, Virginia. **Page 25047**

Presidential Message—Payments to Cuba: Read a message from the President wherein he transmits his semi-annual report on payments made to Cuba by U.S. citizens—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-322). **Page 25050**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages 24924, 24979, 25047.

Referrals: Senate bills referred to committees in the House appear on page 25056.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Five yea and nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 24942, 24943, 24944, 24945, 24946, and 25029. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

Committee Meetings

PORTALS INVESTIGATION

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations continued hearings on the circumstances surrounding the FCC's planned relocation to the Portals, including the efforts of Franklin L. Haney and his rep-

resentatives with respect to this matter and the circumstances surrounding the payment of fees to those representatives. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the GSA: Robert Peck, Public Building Service Commissioner; Emily Hewitt, General Counsel; Sharon Roach, Office of the General Counsel; Anthony Pagonis, William Lawson and Jeffrey Dunn; the following officials of the FCC: Andrew Fishel, Managing Director; and Jeffrey R. Ryan, Office of Managing Director; Reed Hundt, Principal, Charles Ross Partners.

REPORT; RELEASE OF DOCUMENTS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Approved the following draft report entitled: "Investigation of the White House Database".

The Committee also approved the release of Documents.

KYOTO PROTOCOL

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing on Will the Administration Implement the Kyoto Protocol Through the Back Door? Testimony was heard from Kathleen A. McGinty, Chair, Council on Environmental Quality.

EXPEDITED PROCEDURES

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving clause 4(b) of rule XI (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against certain resolutions reported from the Rules Committee. The rule applies the waiver to a special rule reported, for the remainder of the second session of the 105th Congress, providing for consideration or disposition of a bill or joint resolution making general appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, any amendment thereto, any conference report thereon, or any amendment reported in disagreement from a conference thereon. The rule also applies the waiver to a special rule reported, for the remainder of the second session of the 105th Congress, providing for consideration or disposition of a bill or joint resolution making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 1999, any amendment thereto, any conference report thereon, or any amendment reported in disagreement from a conference thereon. The rule allows, for the remainder of the second session of the 105th Congress, for the Speaker to entertain motions to suspend the rules, provided that the object of any such motion to suspend the rules, provided that the object of any such motion is announced from the floor at least two hours before the motion is offered and that in the scheduling of legislation under this authority, the Speaker or his designee shall consult with the Minority Leader or his designee.

URUGUAY ROUND AGREEMENTS COMPLIANCE ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing for consideration in the House of H.R. 4761, Uruguay Round Agreements Compliance Act of 1998, without intervention of any point of order. The rule provides one hour of debate. The rule provides one motion to recommit. Testimony was heard from Representatives Crane and Waters.

KYOTO PROTOCOL

Committee on Science: Held an oversight hearing on The Road from Kyoto-Part 4: The Kyoto Protocol's Impacts on U.S. Energy Markets and Economic Activity. Testimony was heard from Jay E. Hakes, Administrator, Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

RESOLUTIONS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Approved the following resolutions: 9 GSA lease; 4 Courthouse construction; 1 repair and alteration; 1 site acquisition and design; and 12 Corps of Engineers water resources survey.

EXPIRING TAX PROVISIONS

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported amended H.R. 4738, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions, provide tax relief for farmers and small businesses.

TECHNOLOGY TRANSFERS TO CHINA

Select Committee on U.S. National Security and Military/Commercial Concerns with the People's Republic of China: Met in executive session to continue to receive briefings.

Will continue October 14.

Saturday, October 10, 1998

Senate**Chamber Action**

Routine Proceedings, pages 25287-25373

Measures Introduced: Eight bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2617-2624. **Page 25326**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Report to accompany S. 2086, previously reported and passed October 7, 1998. (S. Rept. No. 105-403)

Report to accompany S. 2240, previously reported and passed October 7, 1998. (S. Rept. No. 105-404)

Report to accompany S. 2246, previously reported and passed October 7, 1998. (S. Rept. No. 105-405)

Report to accompany S. 2307, previously reported and passed October 7, 1998. (S. Rept. No. 104-406)

Report to accompany S. 2468, previously reported and passed October 7, 1998. (S. Rept. No. 104-407)

Report to accompany S. 2500, previously reported and passed October 9, 1998. (S. Rept. No. 104-408)

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Executive Reports of Committees: Senate received the following executive report of a committee:

Treaty Doc. 105-1(A), The Amended Protocol on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Mines, Booby-Traps and Other Devices (Protocol II or The Amended Mines Protocol to The 1980 Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May be Deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects), with one reservation, nine understandings, and fourteen conditions. (Exec. Rept. No. 105-21)

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

20 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

23 Army nominations in the rank of general.

3 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

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Recess: Senate convened at 12 noon, and recessed at 4:10 p.m., until 2 p.m., on Monday, October 12, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page 25289.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives**Chamber Action**

Bills Introduced: 20 public bills, H.R. 4785-4804; 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 348-349 and H. Res. 592-593, were introduced. **Page 25536**

Reports Filed: One report was filed as follows:

Report of the Joint Economic Committee on the 1998 Economic Report of the President (H. Rept. 105-807);

H.R. 3529, to establish a national policy against State and local interference with interstate commerce on the Internet or online services, and to excise congressional jurisdiction over interstate commerce by establishing a mor-

atorium on the imposition of exactions that would interfere with the free flow of commerce via the Internet, amended (H. Rept. 105-808 Part 1); and

H.R. 2526, to amend title 5, United States Code, to make the percentage limitations on individual contributions to the Thrift Savings Plan more consistent with the dollar amount limitation on elective deferrals (H. Rept. 105-809). **Page 25536**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Bass to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 25374**

Consideration of Certain Resolutions: The House agreed to H. Res. 589, waiving a requirement of clause 4(b) of rule XI with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules, by voice vote. Earlier, the previous question was ordered by a yeas and nays vote of 221 yeas to 201 nays, Roll No. 513. **Pages 25374, 25425**

Uruguay Round Agreements Compliance: The House agreed to H. Res. 588, the rule to provide for consideration of H.R. 4761, to require the United States Trade Representative to take certain actions in response to the failure of the European Union to comply with the rulings of the World Trade Organization, by a yeas and nays vote of 243 yeas to 179 nays, Roll No. 514. **Pages 25384, 25426**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Senate Amendment to H.R. 4110: H. Res. 592, providing for the concurrence by the House with amendments in the Senate amendment to H.R. 4110 (agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 423 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 515); **Pages 25393, 25426**

Medicare Home Health Care and Veterans Health Care Improvement: H.R. 4567, amended, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make revisions in the per beneficiary and per visit payment limits on payment for health services under the Medicare Program (agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 412 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 516). Agreed to amend the title; **Page 25427**

Taiwan World Health Organization: H. Con. Res. 334, relating to Taiwan's participation in the World Health Organization (agreed to by a recorded vote of 418 ayes with none voting "no", Roll No. 517); **Page 25428**

Supporting the Baltic People: H. Con. Res. 320, amended, supporting the Baltic people of Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania, and condemning the Nazi-Soviet Pact of Non-Aggression of August 23, 1939 (agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 417 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 518); **Page 25429**

Community-Designed Charter Schools: Agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 2616, to amend titles VI and X of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of

1965 to improve and expand charter schools (agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 369 yeas to 50 nays, Roll No. 519)—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 25429**

National Salvage Motor Vehicle Consumer Protection: S. 852, amended, to establish nationally uniform requirements regarding the titling and registration of salvage, nonrepairable, and rebuilt vehicles (agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 271 yeas to 133 nays with 2 voting "present", Roll No. 520); **Page 25430**

Condemning Abuses Against Sierra Leone Civilians: H. Res. 559, amended, condemning the terror, vengeance, and human rights abuses against the civilian population of Sierra Leone; **Page 25454**

Freedom From Religious Persecution: The House agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 2431, to establish an Office of Religious Persecution Monitoring, to provide for the imposition of sanctions against countries engaged in a pattern of religious persecution—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 25455**

Torture Victims Relief: The House agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 4309, to provide a comprehensive program of support for victims of torture—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 25469**

Regarding Culpability of Hun Sen: H. Res. 533, amended, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the culpability of Hun Sen for war crimes, crimes against humanity, and genocide in Cambodia (the former Kampuchea, the People's Republic of Kampuchea, and the State of Cambodia). Agreed to amend the title; **Page 25471**

Regarding Repressive Policies Toward Ukrainian People: H. Con. Res. 295, amended, expressing the sense of Congress that the 65th anniversary of the Ukrainian Famine of 1932-1933 should serve as a reminder of the brutality of the government of the former Soviet Union's repressive policies toward the Ukrainian people; **Page 25475**

Regarding Bombing of U.S. Embassies in Africa: H. Res. 523, amended, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the terrorist bombing of the United States Embassies in East Africa; **Page 25477**

Alternative Dispute Resolution: Agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 3528, to amend title 28, United States Code, with respect to the use of alternative dispute resolution processes in United States district courts—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 25479**

Police, Fire, and Emergency Officers Educational Assistance: H.R. 3046, amended, to provide for financial assistance for higher education to the dependents of Federal, State, and local public safety officers who are killed or permanently and totally disabled as the result of a traumatic injury sustained in the line of duty. Subsequently, the House passed S. 1525 in lieu after amending

it to contain the language of H.R. 3046 as passed by the House. H.R. 3046 was then laid on the table; **Page 25481**

National Oilheat Research Alliance: H.R. 3610, amended, to authorize and facilitate a program to enhance training, research and development, energy conservation and efficiency, and consumer education in the oilheat industry for the benefit of oilheat consumers and the public; **Page 25483**

Recognizing Accomplishments of Inspector General: S.J. Res. 58, recognizing the accomplishments of Inspector General since their creation in 1978 in preventing and detecting waste, fraud, abuse, and mismanagement, and in promoting economy, efficiency, and effectiveness in the Federal Government—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 25486**

D.C. Courts and Justice Technical Corrections: H.R. 4566, amended, to make technical and clarifying amendments to the National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997. Agreed to amend the title; **Page 25488**

Honoring Hunter Scott: H. Res. 590, amended, recognizing and honoring Hunter Scott for his efforts to honor the memory of the captain and crew of the U.S.S. INDIANAPOLIS and for the outstanding example he has set for the young people of the United States; **Page 25491**

Wetlands and Wildlife Enhancement: S. 1677, amended, to reauthorize the North American Wetlands Conservation Act and the Partnerships for Wildlife Act. Agreed to amend the title; and **Page 25495**

Mississippi Sioux Tribes Judgment Fund Distribution: S. 391, amended, to provide for the disposition of certain funds appropriated to pay judgment in favor of the Mississippi Sioux Indians. **Page 25499**

Suspensions—Vote Postponed: The House completed debate and postponed the vote on the following measure:

National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment: S. 2095, amended, to reauthorize and amend the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act. **Page 25498**

Question of Privilege: Representative Visclosky rose to a point of privilege. The Chair ruled that his question did not constitute a question of the privileges of the House. Agreed to table the motion to appeal the ruling of the Chair by a ye and nay vote of 219 yeas to 204 nays, Roll No. 512. **Page 25420**

Lower East Side Tenement National Historic Site: The House passed S. 1408, to establish the Lower East Side Tenement National Historic Site. Agreed to the Hansen amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 25431**

Amending Weir Farm National Historic Site: The House passed S. 1718, to amend the Weir Farm National

Historic Site Establishment Act of 1990 to authorize the acquisition of additional acreage for the historic site to permit the development of visitor and administrative facilities and to authorize the appropriation of additional amounts for the acquisition of real and personal property. Agreed to the Hansen amendment in the nature of a substitute. Agreed to amend the title. **Page 25433**

Automobile National Heritage Area: The House passed H.R. 3910, to authorize the Automobile National Heritage Area. Agreed to the Hansen amendment in the nature of a substitute. Agreed to amend the title. **Page 25436**

Prohibiting Conveyance of Land in Arizona: The House passed S. 2413, prohibiting the conveyance of Woodland Lake Park tract in Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest in the State of Arizona unless the conveyance is made to the town of Pinetop-Lakeside or authorized by Act of Congress. **Page 25444**

Arches National Park Expansion: The House passed S. 2106, to expand the boundaries of Arches National Park, Utah, to include portions of certain drainages that are under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management, and to include a portion of Fish Seep Draw owned by the State of Utah. **Page 25444**

National Cave and Karst Research Institute: The House passed S. 231, to establish the National Cave and Karst Research Institute in the State of New Mexico—clearing the measure for the President. **Page 25445**

Sudbury, Assabet, and Concord Wild and Scenic Rivers: The House passed S. 469, to designate a portion of the Sudbury, Assabet, and Concord Rivers as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System. Agreed to the Hansen amendment in the nature of a substitute. Agreed to amend the title. **Page 25446**

Glacier Bay National Park Boundary Adjustment: The House agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 3903, to provide for an exchange of lands located near Gustavus, Alaska—clearing the measure for the President. **Page 25448**

Assistance to National Historic Trails Center in Wyoming: The House agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 2186, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance to the National Historic Trails Interpretive Center in Casper, Wyoming—clearing the measure for the President. **Page 25448**

Rogue River National Park Boundary Adjustment: The House agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 3796, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey the administrative site for the Rogue River National Forest and use the proceeds for the construction or improvement of offices and support buildings for the Rogue

River National Forest and the Bureau of Land Management—clearing the measure for the President.

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Granite Watershed Enhancement and Protection: The House agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 2886, to provide for a demonstration project in the Stanislaus National Forest, California, under which a private contractor will perform multiple resource management activities for that unit of the National Forest System.

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National Park Fees: The House passed S. 1333, to amend the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 to allow national park units that cannot charge an entrance or admission fee to retain other fees and charges—clearing the measure for the President.

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National Historic Site Boundary Modification: The House passed S. 2246, to amend the Act which established the Frederick Law Olmsted National Historic Site, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, by modifying the boundary—clearing the measure for the President.

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Adams National Historical Park: The House passed S. 2240, to establish the Adams National Historical Park in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts—clearing the measure for the President.

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Women's Progress Commemoration: The House passed S. 2285, to establish a commission, in honor of the 150th Anniversary of the Seneca Falls Convention, to further protect sites of importance in the historic efforts to secure equal rights for women—clearing the measure for the President.

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Legislative Authority for Black Patriots Foundation: The House passed S. 2427, to amend the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 to extend the legislative authority for the Black Patriots Foundation to establish a commemorative work—clearing the measure for the President.

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Technical Corrections to Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management: The House passed H.R. 4735, to make technical corrections to the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996.

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Dante Fascell Biscayne National Park Visitor Center Designation: The House passed S. 2468, to designate the Biscayne National Park Visitor Center as the Dante Fascell Visitor Center—clearing the measure for the President.

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Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 11. Agreed that when the House adjourns October 11, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, October 12.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages 25374 and 25450.

Referrals: Senate bills referred to committees in the House appear on page 25535.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Eight yea and nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 25424, 25425, 25426, 25427, 25428, 25429, and 25430. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

Committee Meetings

There were no committee meetings today.

Sunday, October 11, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today.

Committee Meetings

The Senate was not in session today, it will next meet on Monday, October 12, 1998, at 2 p.m.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 2 public bills, H.R. 4805–4806, were introduced. Page 25622

Reports Filed: No reports were filed today.

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Brady of Texas to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page 25577

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no recorded votes or quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Committee Meetings

There were no Committee meetings today.

Monday, October 12, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 25666–25750

Measures Introduced: Four bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2625–2628. **Page 25714**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Report to accompany S.J. Res. 44, previously reported. (S. Rept. No. 105–409).

Report to accompany H.R. 3687, previously reported. (S. Rept. No. 105–410).

S. 1427, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to require the Federal Communications Commission to preserve lowpower television stations that provide community broadcasting, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–411). **Page 25714**

Measures Passed:

Further Continuing Appropriations: Senate passed H.J. Res. 134, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1999, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages 25673, 25686**

Bristol, Tennessee/Bristol, Virginia—Country Music: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 214, recognizing the contributions of the cities of Bristol, Tennessee, and Bristol, Virginia, and their people to the origins and development of Country Music. **Page 25695**

Coast Guard Authorizations: Senate passed H.R. 2204, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1998 and 1999 for the Coast Guard, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 1259, Senate companion measure, after withdrawing the committee amendments and agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 25695**

Jeffords (for Snowe) Amendment No. 3813, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 25699**

Subsequently, S. 1259 was returned to the Senate Calendar. **Page 25707**

Economic Development Administration Reform Act: Senate passed S. 2364, to reauthorize and make reforms to programs authorized by the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1995, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 25707**

Jeffords (for Chafee) Amendment No. 3814, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 25707**

Cahuilla Indians: Senate passed H.R. 700, to remove the restriction on the distribution of certain revenues from the Mineral Springs parcel to certain members of the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 25707**

Recreational Shooting and Archery Ranges on Federal Land: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources was discharged from further consideration of S. Con. Res. 123, to express the sense of the Congress regarding the policy of the Forest Service toward recreational shooting and archery ranges on Federal land, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page 25708**

Women's Health Research and Prevention: Committee on Labor and Human Resources was discharged from further consideration of S. 1722, to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend certain programs with respect to women's health research and prevention activities at the National Institutes of Health and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 25708**

Jeffords (for Frist) Amendment No. 3815, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 25708**

Drive For Teen Employment Act: Senate passed H.R. 2327, to provide for a change in the exemption from the child labor provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 for minors between 16 and 18 years of age who engage in the operation of automobiles and trucks, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 25710**

Jeffords Amendment No. 3816, to make certain technical corrections concerning the effective date. **Page 25710**

Federal Financial Assistance Management Improvement Act: Senate passed S. 1642, to improve the effectiveness and performance of Federal financial assistance programs, simplify Federal financial assistance application and reporting requirements, and improve the delivery of services to the public, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 25710**

Jeffords (for Glenn) Amendment No. 3817, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 25710**

USDA Information Technology Reform/Year 2000 Compliance Act: Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry was discharged from further consideration of S. 2116, to clarify and enhance the authorities of the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Agriculture, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 25711**

Jeffords (for Lugar) Amendment No. 3818, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 25711**

Day of Concern About Young People and Gun Violence: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 264, to designate October 8, 1998 as the Day of Concern About Young People and Gun Violence, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page 25713**

Appointments:

U.S. Capitol Preservation Commission: The Chair, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law

100–696, announced the appointment of Senator Dorgan as a member of the United States Capitol Preservation Commission. **Page 25690**

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Statements on Introduced Bills: **Page 25715**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page 25719**

Amendments Submitted: **Page 25719**

Additional Statements: **Page 25745**

Recess: Senate convened at 2 p.m., and recessed at 6:15 p.m., until 11 a.m., on Tuesday, October 13, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 25713.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 12 public bills, H.R. 4807–4818; and 2 resolutions, H.J. Res. 134 and H. Con. Res. 350, were introduced. **Page 25860**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 4326, to transfer administrative jurisdiction over certain Federal lands located within or adjacent to the Rogue River National Forest and to clarify the authority of the Bureau of Land Management to sell and exchange other Federal lands in Oregon (H. Rept. 105–810);

H.R. 4111, to provide for outlet modifications to Folsom Dam, a study for reconstruction of the Northfork American River Cofferdam, and the transfer to the State of California all right, title, and interest in and to the Auburn Dam, amended (H. Rept. 105–811);

H.R. 3056, to provide for the preservation and sustainability of the family farm through the transfer of responsibility for operation and maintenance of the Flathead Indian Irrigation Project, Montana, amended (H. Rept. 105–812);

H.R. 4223, to assist in the development and implementation of projects to provide for the control of drainage, storm, flood and other waters as part of water-related integrated resource management, environmental infrastructure, and resource protection and development projects in the Colusa Basin Watershed, California (H. Rept. 105–813);

H.R. 1567, to provide for the designation of additional wilderness lands in the eastern United States amended (H. Rept. 105–814);

H.R. 4023, to provide for the conveyance of the Forest Service property in Kern County, California, in exchange

for county lands suitable for inclusion in Sequoia National Forest amended (H. Rept. 105–815 Part 1);

H.R. 3297, to suspend the continued development of a roadless area policy on public domain units and other units of the National Forest System pending adequate public participation and determinations that a roadless area policy will not adversely affect forest health, amended (H. Rept. 105–816 Part 1); and

H.R. 4738, to amend the Internal Revenue code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions, provide tax relief for farmers and small businesses, amended (H. Rept. 105–817). **Page 25860**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Pease to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 25751**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:47 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page 25752**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Child Protection and Sexual Predator Punishment: The House agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 3494, to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to violent sex crimes against children (agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 400 yeas with none voting “nay” and 2 voting “present”, Roll No. 521)—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages 25755, 25830**

Regarding Patriotic and National Observances: S. 2524, to codify without substantive change laws related to Patriotic and National Observances, Ceremonies, and Organizations and to improve the United States Code—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 25764**

Miccosukee Reserved Area: H.R. 3055, amended, to deem the activities of the Miccosukee Tribe on the Tamiami Indian Reservation to be consistent with the purposes of the Everglades National Park. Agreed to amend the title; **Page 25775**

Designating Gus Hawkins Post Office: H.R. 2349, to redesignate the Federal building located at 10301 South Compton Avenue, in Los Angeles, California, and known as the Watts Finance Office, as the “Augustus F. Hawkins Post Office Building”; **Page 25795**

Anti-Slamming Amendments: H.R. 3888, amended, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to improve the protection of consumers against “slamming” by telecommunications carriers; **Page 25796**

WIPO Copyright Treaties Implementation: The House agreed to the conference report accompanying H.R. 2281, to amend title 17, United States Code, to implement the World Intellectual Property Organization Copyright Treaty and Performances and Phonograms Treaty—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 25806**

Tax Relief for Farmers and Small Businesses: H.R. 4738, amended, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions, provide tax relief for farmers and small businesses. **Page 25813**

Suspensions—Failed: The House failed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Regarding Significant Increase in Steel Imports: H. Con. Res. 350, calling on the President to take all necessary measures under existing law to respond to the significant increase of steel imports resulting from the financial crises in Asia, Russia, and other regions (failed by a ye and nay vote of 153 yeas to 249 nays, Roll No. 522); **Page 25824**

National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act Amendments: S. 2095, to reauthorize and amend the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act (failed by a recorded vote of 153 yeas to 248 noes, Roll No. 523). Debated October 10. **Page 25831**

Making Continuing Appropriations: The House passed H.J. Res. 134, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1999. **Page 25767**

Perkins County Rural Water System: The House passed S. 2117, to authorize the construction of the Perkins County Rural Water System and authorize financial assistance to the Perkins County Rural Water System, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, in the planning and construction of the water supply system. Agreed to the Hansen amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 25779**

International Fishery Agreement: The House passed H.R. 3461, to approve a governing international fishery agreement between the United States and the Republic of Poland. Agreed to the Hansen amendment in the nature of a substitute. Agreed to amend the title; **Page 25784**

Fall River Water Users District Rural Water System: The House passed S. 744, to authorize the construction of the Fall River Water Users District Rural Water System and authorize financial assistance to the Fall River Water Users District, a non-profit corporation, in the planning and construction of the water supply system—clearing the measure for the President. **Page 25788**

Oregon Public Lands Transfer and Protection: The House passed H.R. 4326, to transfer administrative jurisdiction over certain Federal lands located within or adjacent to the Rogue River National Forest and to clarify the authority of the Bureau of Land Management to sell and exchange other Federal lands in Oregon. Agreed to the Hansen amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 25789**

Conveying Certain Facilities of Minidoka Project: The House passed S. 538, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain facilities of the Minidoka project

to the Burley Irrigation District—clearing the measure for the President. **Page 25793**

Dante B. Fascell North-South Center: The House passed H.R. 4757, to designate the North/South Center as the Dante B. Fascell North-South Center. **Page 25794**

Re-referral of Executive Communications: Executive Communications 10321 and 10322 were re-referred to the Committee on Agriculture. **Page 25794**

Re-referral of Memorial: Memorial No. 303, received from the Legislature of the State of Idaho, was re-referred to the Committee on Agriculture as well as to the Committee on Resources. **Page 25794**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages 25813 and 25834.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two ye and nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 25830 and 25831. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 11:01 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Tuesday, October 13, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 25876–25901

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 1903, to amend the National Institute of Standards and Technology Act to enhance the ability of the National Institute of Standards and Technology to improve computer security. (S. Rept. No. 105–412)

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Measures Passed:

Rhino and Tiger Product Labeling Act: Committee on Environment and Public Works was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 2807, to amend the Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act of 1994 to prohibit the sale, importation, and exportation of products labeled as containing substances derived from rhinoceros or tiger, and the bill was then passed after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of H.R. 2863, to amend the Migratory Bird Treaty Act to clarify restrictions under that Act on baiting, and to facilitate acquisition of migratory bird habitat, after agreeing to a committee amendment and the following amendments proposed thereto: **Page 25877**

DeWine (for Chafee) Amendment No. 3819, to incorporate other wildlife-related and water-related provisions.

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DeWine (for Chafee) Amendment No. 3820, to increase and change the application of the criminal penalty provisions.

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Subsequently, H.R. 2863 was returned to the Senate Calendar.

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Salton Sea Reclamation: Senate passed H.R. 3267, to direct the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to complete a feasibility study relating to the Salton Sea, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Gorton (for Kyl) Amendment No. 3821, in the nature of a substitute.

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Securities Litigation Uniform Standards Act—Conference Report: Senate agreed to the conference report on S. 1260, to amend the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to limit the conduct of securities class actions under State law.

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Messages From the House:

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Amendments Submitted:

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Recess: Senate convened at 11 a.m., and recessed at 12:53 p.m., until 12 noon, on Wednesday, October 14, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 25901.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 9 public bills, H.R. 4819–4828; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 595–596, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 594, providing for consideration of certain resolutions in preparation for the adjournment of the second session sine die (H. Rept. 105–818).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Petri to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 9:01 a.m. and reconvened at 10 a.m.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Vision 2020 National Parks Restoration: S. 1693, amended, to provide for improved management and increased accountability for certain National Park Service programs;

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Regarding U.S. Citizens of Guam: H. Res. 494, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States has enjoyed the loyalty of the United States citizens of Guam, and that the United States recognizes the centennial anniversary of the Spanish-American War as an opportune time for Congress to reaffirm its commitment to increase self-government consistent with self-determination for the people of Guam (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 410 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 524);

Pages 25922, 26024

American Homeownership: H.R. 3899, amended, to expand homeownership in the United States;

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Federal Reports Elimination: S. 1364, amended, to eliminate unnecessary and wasteful Federal reports (agreed to by a recorded vote of 390 yeas to 19 noes, Roll No. 525);

Pages 25945, 26024

Regarding the Year 2000 Computer Problem: H.R. 4756, amended, to ensure that the United States is prepared to meet the Year 2000 computer problem (agreed to by a recorded vote of 407 yeas to 3 noes, Roll No. 526);

Pages 25951, 26025

Regarding Executive Branch Travel Reports: H.R. 4805, to require reports on travel of Executive branch officers and employees to international conferences;

Pages 25957, 26036

Wrongfully Expropriated Properties: H. Res. 562, concerning properties wrongfully expropriated by formerly totalitarian governments;

Pages 25958, 26036

Free Elections in Gabon: H. Res. 518, amended, calling for free and transparent elections in Gabon;

Pages 25963, 26036

National Institute of Standards and Technology Authorization: The House agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 1274, to authorize appropriations for the National Institute of Standards and Technology for fiscal years 1998 and 1999—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages 25965, 26036

Economic Development Administration Reform: S. 2364, to reauthorize and make reforms to programs authorized by the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965 and the Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965—clearing the measure for the President;

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Health Professions Education Partnerships: S. 1754, amended, to amend the Public Health Service Act to consolidate and reauthorize health professions and minority and disadvantaged health professions and disadvantaged

health education programs (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 303 yeas to 102 nays, Roll No. 527);

Pages 25983, 26037

Securities Litigation Uniform Standards: The House agreed to the conference report accompanying S. 1260, to amend the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to limit the conduct of securities class actions under State law. Agreed to correct the Statement of Managers (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 319 yeas to 82 nays, Roll No. 528)—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages 26007, 26037

Women's Health Research and Prevention Amendments: S. 1722, to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend certain programs with respect to women's health research and prevention activities at the National Institutes of Health and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 401 yeas with 1 voting "nay", Roll No. 529)—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages 26026, 26038

Drive for Teen Employment: The House agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 2327, to provide for a change in the exemption from the child labor provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 for minors between 16 and 18 years of age who engage in the operation of automobiles and trucks—clearing the measure for the President; and

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Importance of African-American Music: H. Con. Res. 27, recognizing the importance of African-American music to global culture and calling on the people of the United States to study, reflect on, and celebrate African-American music.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages 25951, 25965, and 26026.

Referrals: Referrals of Senate measures to House committees appear on page 26069.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four ye and nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 26024, 26025, 26037, and 26038. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 10:33 p.m.

Committee Meetings

RESOLUTION IN PREPARATION FOR SINE DIE ADJOURNMENT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule providing for consideration of a joint resolution appointing the day for the convening of the first session of the 106th Congress, subject to one hour of debate in the House equally divided between the Majority Leader and the Minority Leader or their designees and one motion to recommit. The rule adopts a resolution providing that any organizational caucus or conference in the House of Rep-

resentatives for the 106th Congress may begin on or after November 18, 1998. the rule adopts a resolution providing for the printing of a revised edition of the Rules and Manual of the House of Representatives for the 106th Congress as a house document. The rule adopts a resolution providing that a committee of two Members of the House be appointed to wait upon the President of the United States and inform him that the House of Representatives has completed its business of the session and is ready to adjourn, unless the President has some other communication to make to them. The rule authorizes the Speaker, Majority Leader, and the Minority Leader to accept resignations and make certain appointments following the adjournment of the second session sine die as authorized by law or by the House. The rule authorizes the chairman and ranking minority member of each standing committee and subcommittee to extend their remarks in the Congressional Record and include a summary of the work of their committee or subcommittee.

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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 26124–26271

Measures Introduced: Seven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2629–2635 and S. Res. 299.

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Measures Passed:

Food Stamp Coupons: Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry was discharged from further consideration of S. 1733, to require the Commissioner of Social Security and food stamp State agencies to take certain actions to ensure that food stamp coupons are not issued for deceased individuals, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

Page 26124

Craig (for Lugar/Harkin) Amendment No. 3822, in the nature of a substitute.

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Intellectual Property Rights: Committee on Finance was discharged from further consideration of S. Con. Res. 124, expressing the sense of Congress regarding the denial of benefits under the Generalized System of Preferences to developing countries that violate the intellectual property rights of United States persons, particularly those that have not implemented their obligations under the Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property, and the resolution was then agreed to, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Craig (for Lautenberg) Amendment No. 3823, making a technical and clarifying correction. **Page 26127**

Estuary Habitat Restoration Partnership Act: Senate passed S. 1222, to catalyze restoration of estuary habitat through more efficient financing of projects and enhanced coordination of Federal and non-Federal restoration programs, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 26128**

Craig (for Baucus/Burns) Amendment No. 3824, authorizing funds for fiscal years 1998 through 2002 for the National Environmental Waste Technology Testing and Evaluation Center in Butte, Montana. **Page 26131**

DC Courts and Justice Technical Corrections Act: Senate passed H.R. 4566, to make technical and clarifying amendments to the National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 26138**

National Historic Trail: Senate passed S. 2039, to amend the National Trails System Act to designate El Camino Real de Tierra Adentro as a National Historic Trail. **Page 26192**

National Historic Trail: Senate passed S. 2276, to amend the National Trails System Act to designate El Camino Real de los Tejas as a National Historic Trail, after agreeing to committee amendments. **Page 26193**

Canadian River Project: Senate passed H.R. 3687, to authorize prepayment of amounts due under a water reclamation project contract for the Canadian River Project, Texas, after agreeing to a committee amendment. **Page 26193**

Oregon Public Lands Transfer: Senate passed H.R. 4326, to transfer administrative jurisdiction over certain Federal lands located within or adjacent to the Rogue River National Forest and to clarify the authority of the Bureau of Land Management to sell and exchange other Federal lands in Oregon, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 26196**

Automobile National Heritage Area Act: Senate passed H.R. 3910, to authorize the Automobile National Heritage Area, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 26196**

Further Continuing Appropriations: Senate passed H.J. Res. 135, making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 1999, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 26202**

Haskell Indian Nations University/Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute: Senate passed H.R. 4259, to allow Haskell Indian Nations University and the Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute each to conduct a demonstration project to test the feasibility and desirability of new personnel management policies and procedures, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 26263**

Bullet Resistant Equipment: Senate passed S. 2253, to establish a matching grant program to help State and local jurisdictions purchase bullet resistant equipment for use by law enforcement departments, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 26263**

Jeffords (for Torricelli/Leahy) Amendment No. 3825, to establish a matching grant program to help State and local jurisdictions purchase video cameras for use in law enforcement vehicles. **Page 26263**

Senate Legal Counsel: Senate agreed to S. Res. 299, to authorize testimony and representation in *BCCI Holdings (Luxembourg), S.A., et al. v. Abdul Raouf Hasan Khalil, et al.* **Page 26265**

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Authorization: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 3723, to authorize funds for the payment of salaries and expenses of the Patent and Trademark Office, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 26266**

Federal Rewards Leading to Arrest: Senate passed H.R. 4660, to amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to provide rewards for information leading to the arrest or conviction of any individual for the commission of an act, or conspiracy to act, of international terrorism, narcotics related offenses, or for serious violations of international humanitarian law relating to the Former Yugoslavia, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 26269**

Jeffords (for Helms/Biden) Amendment No. 3827, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 26269**

Identity Theft and Assumption Deterrence Act: Senate passed H.R. 4151, to amend chapter 47 of title 18, United States Code, relating to identity fraud, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 26269**

Native American Programs Act Amendments: Senate concurred in the amendments of the House to S. 459, to amend the Native American Programs Act of 1974 to extend certain authorizations, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 26125**

Mississippi Sioux Tribes Judgment Fund Distribution Act: Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to S. 391, to provide for the disposition of certain funds appropriated to pay judgment in favor of the Mississippi Sioux Indians, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 26125**

National Park Service Concession Management: Senate concurred in the amendments of the House to S. 1693, to provide for improved management and increased accountability for certain National Park Service programs, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 26155**

Assistive Technology Act: Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to S. 2432, to support programs of grants to States to address the assistive tech-

nology needs of individuals with disabilities, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 26163**

Health Professions Education Partnerships Act: Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to S. 1754, to amend the Public Health Service Act to consolidate and reauthorize health professions and minority and disadvantaged health professions and disadvantaged health education programs, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 26173**

Weir Farm National Historic Site: Senate concurred in the amendments of the House to S. 1718, to amend the Weir Farm National Historic Site Establishment Act of 1990 to authorize the acquisition of additional acreage for the historic site to permit the development of visitor and administrative facilities and to authorize the appropriation of additional amounts for the acquisition of real and personal property, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 26194**

Lower East Side Tenement National Historic Site: Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to S. 1408, to establish the Lower East Side Tenement National Historic Site, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 26195**

International Anti-Bribery Act: Senate concurred in the amendments of the House to S. 2375, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, to strengthen prohibitions on international bribery and other corrupt practices, with the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 26266**

Jeffords (for D'Amato/Sarbanes) Amendment No. 3826, to strike certain provisions relating to treatment of international organizations providing commercial communication services. **Page 26269**

Executive Reports of Committees: Senate received the following executive reports of a committee:

Report to accompany Treaty Docs. 105-6, 105-11, 105-12, 105-22, 105-23, 105-24, 105-27, 105-34, 105-37, 105-38, 105-40, 105-41, 105-42, 105-44, 105-47, and 105-52: Mutual Legal Assistance Treaties with Australia, Barbados, Brazil, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hong Kong, Israel, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Poland, Trinidad & Tobago, Venezuela, Antigua & Barbuda, Dominica, Grenada, St. Kitts & Nevis, St. Lucia, and St. Vincent & Grenadines. (Exec. Rept. No. 105-22) **Page 26211**

Report to accompany Treaty Docs. 105-10, 105-13, 105-14, 105-15, 105-16, 105-18, 105-19, 105-20, 105-21, 105-30, 105-33, 105-46, and 105-50: Extra-territorial Treaties with Argentina, Austria, Barbados, Cyprus, France, India, Luxembourg, Mexico, Poland, Spain, Trinidad & Tobago, Zimbabwe, Antigua & Barbuda, Dominica, Grenada, St. Kitts & Nevis, St. Lucia, and St. Vincent & the Grenadines. (Exec. Rept. No. 105-23) **Page 26216**

Report to accompany Treaty Doc. 105-7: Agreement with Hong Kong on the Transfer of Sentenced Persons. (Exec. Rept. No. 105-24) **Page 26220**

Report to accompany Treaty Doc. 105-17: WIPO Copyright Treaty (WCT) (1996) and WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty (WPPT) (1996). (Exec. Rept. No. 105-25) **Page 26221**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report of an agreement with the Republic of Lithuania concerning fisheries off the coasts of the United States; which was referred jointly, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 1823, to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, and to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM-162). **Page 26209**

Transmitting the report of an agreement with the Republic of Estonia concerning fisheries off the coasts of the United States; which was referred jointly, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 1823, to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, and to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM-163). **Page 26209**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations: John C. Truesdale, of Maryland, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring August 27, 2003. **Page 26271**

Messages From the President: **Page 26209**

Messages From the House: **Page 26209**

Communications: **Page 26210**

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Executive Reports of Committees: **Page 26211**

Statements on Introduced Bills: **Page 26221**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page 26227**

Amendments Submitted: **Page 26228**

Additional Statements: **Page 26231**

Recess: Senate convened at 12 noon, and recessed at 4:43 p.m., until 12 noon, on Thursday, October 15, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 26270.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 13 public bills, H.R. 4829-4841; and 5 resolutions, H.J. Res. 135 and H. Res. 597-600, were introduced. **Page 26355**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 218, to amend title 18, United States Code, to exempt qualified current and former law enforcement officers from State laws prohibiting the carrying of concealed handguns, amended (H. Rept. 105-819). **Page 26355**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Blunt to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 26272**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Regarding Reserved Mineral Interests: H.R. 3878, to subject certain reserved mineral interests of the operation of the Mineral Leasing Act. Agreed to amend the title; **Page 26281**

Regarding Access for Disabled Persons: H.R. 4501, to require the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to improve the access for persons with disabilities to outdoor recreational opportunities made available to the public; **Pages 26282, 26307**

Regarding Ex-USS Bowman County: H.R. 4519, to authorize the President to consent to third party transfer of the ex-USS Bowman County to the USS LST Ship Memorial, Inc.; **Page 26285**

Regarding Radiation Exposure: H.R. 559, to amend title 38, United States Code, to add bronchiolo-alveolar carcinoma to the list of diseases presumed to be service-connected for certain radiation-exposed veterans (agreed to by a yea and nay vote of 400 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 531); **Pages 26286, 26307**

Government Waste, Fraud and Error Reduction: H.R. 4243, amended, to reduce waste, fraud, and error in Government programs by making improvements with respect to Federal management and debt collection practices, Federal payment systems, and Federal benefit programs; **Page 26287**

Concerning Diplomatic Immunity: S. 759, to amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to require the Secretary of State to submit an annual report to Congress concerning diplomatic immunity—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages 26292, 26308**

Centennial of Flight Commemoration: S. 1397, to establish a commission to assist in commemoration of the centennial of powered flight and the achievements of the Wright brothers—clearing the measure for the President. **Page 26294**

Suspensions—Failed: The House failed to suspend the rules and pass the following bill:

Regarding Certain Properties Around Canyon Ferry Reservoir, Montana: H.R. 3963, amended, to establish terms and conditions under which the Secretary of the Interior shall convey leaseholds in certain properties around Canyon Ferry Reservoir, Montana (failed by a yea and nay

vote of 217 yeas to 181 nays, with two-thirds required for passage, Roll No. 530). **Pages 26277, 26306**

Making Continuing Appropriations: The House passed H.J. Res. 135, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1999. **Page 26298**

Recess: The House recessed at 1:39 p.m. and reconvened at 2:14 p.m. **Page 26306**

Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

Fisbery Agreement with Estonia: Message wherein he transmitted his agreement between the United States and Estonia concerning fisheries off the coast of the United States—referred to the Committee on Resources and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-323); and **Page 26308**

Fisbery Agreement with Lithuania: Message wherein he transmitted his agreement between the United States and Lithuania concerning fisheries off the coast of the United States—referred to the Committee on Resources and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105-324). **Page 26308**

Rhino and Tiger Product Labeling: The House agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 2807, to amend the Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act of 1994 to prohibit the sale, importation, and exportation of products labeled as containing substances derived from rhinoceros or tiger with amendments. **Page 26308**

Hawaii Volcanoes National Park Adjustment: The House passed S. 2129, to eliminate restrictions on the acquisition of certain land contiguous to Hawaii Volcanoes National Park—clearing the measure for the President. **Page 26313**

Presidential Advisory Commission on Holocaust Assets in the United States: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following members to the Presidential Advisory Commission on Holocaust Assets in the United States: Representatives Gilman and Fox of Pennsylvania. **Page 26313**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 26306.

Referrals: Senate bills referred to House committees appears on page 26355.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 26306 and 26307. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Committee Meetings

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on House Oversight: Approved the Committee on the Judiciary request for an allocation from the Reserve Fund.

The Committee also approved other pending business.

TECHNOLOGY TRANSFERS TO CHINA

Select Committee on U.S. National Security and Military/Commerical Concerns with the People's Republic of China: Met in executive session to continue to receive briefings.

Will continue tomorrow.

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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 26379–26432

Measures Introduced: Four bills and ten resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2636–2639, and S. Res. 300–309. **Page 26421**

Measures Passed:

Electing Sergeant at Arms/Doorkeeper: Senate agreed to S. Res. 300, electing James W. Ziglar, of Mississippi, as the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate. **Page 26380**

Senate Rules: Senate agreed to S. Res. 301, relative to Rule XXXIX. **Page 26380**

Senate Rules: Senate agreed to S. Res. 302, relative to Rule XXXIII. **Page 26380**

Authority to Make Appointments: Senate agreed to S. Res. 303, authorizing the President of the Senate, the President of the Senate pro tempore, and the Majority and Minority Leaders to make certain appointments during the recess or adjournment of the present session. **Page 26380**

Tendering Thanks to the Vice President: Senate agreed to S. Res. 304, tendering the thanks of the Senate to the Vice President for the courteous, dignified, and impartial manner in which he has presided over the deliberations of the Senate. **Page 26380**

Tendering Thanks to the President pro tempore: Senate agreed to S. Res. 305, tendering the thanks of the Senate to the President pro tempore for the courteous, dignified, and impartial manner in which he has presided over the deliberations of the Senate. **Page 26381**

Miccosukee Reserved Area Act: Senate passed H.R. 3055, to deem the activities of the Miccosukee Tribe on

the Tamiami Indian Reservation to be consistent with the purposes of the Everglades National Park, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 26382**

Guam Judicial Empowerment Act: Senate passed H.R. 2370, to amend the Organic Act of Guam for the purposes of clarifying the local judicial structure and the office of Attorney General, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 26383**

International Crime and Anti-Terrorism Amendments: Senate passed S. 2536, to protect the safety of United States nationals and the interests of the United States at home and abroad, to improve global cooperation and responsiveness to international crime and terrorism, and to more effectively deter international crime and acts of violence. **Page 26383**

Commending U.S. Navy Crew Members: Senate agreed to S. Res. 308, commending the crew members of the United States Navy destroyers of DesRon 61 for their heroism, intrepidity, and skill in action in the only naval surface engagement occurring inside Tokyo Bay during World War II. **Page 26392**

Private Relief: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 129, referring S. 1168 entitled "A bill for the relief of Retired Sergeant First Class James D. Benoit, Wan Sook Benoit, and the estate of David Benoit, and for other purposes," to the chief judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a report on the bill, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page 26396**

Private Relief: Senate passed S. 1460, A bill for the relief of Alexandre Malofienko, Olga Matsko, and their son Vladimir Malofienko. **Page 26396**

Private Relief: Senate passed S. 1202, providing relief for Sergio Lozano, Fauricio Lozano, and Ana Lozano. **Page 26396**

Private Relief: Senate passed S. 1961, for the relief of Suchada Kwong. **Page 26396**

Private Relief: Senate passed S. 1551, for the relief of Kerantha Poole-Christian. **Page 26396**

Private Relief: Senate passed S. 1171, for the relief of Janina Altagracia Castillo-Rojas, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 26396**

Private Relief: Senate passed S. 1916, for the relief of Marin Turcinovic, and his fiancée, Corina Dechalup. **Page 26397**

Private Relief: Senate passed S. 2476, for the relief of Wei Jingsheng, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 26397**

Private Relief: Senate passed S. 1926, for the relief of Regine Beatie Edwards. **Page 26397**

Private Relief: Senate agreed to S. Res. 283, to refer H.R. 998 entitled "A bill for the relief of Lloyd B. Gamble" to the chief judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a report thereon. **Page 26397**

Private Relief: Senate passed S. 2637, for the relief of Belinda McGregory. **Page 26397**

Money Laundering and Financial Crimes Strategy Act: Senate passed H.R. 1756, to amend chapter 53 of title 31, United States Code, to require the development and implementation by the Secretary of the Treasury of a national money laundering and related financial crimes strategy to combat money laundering and related financial crimes, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 26397**

Craig (for Grassley/D'Amato) Amendment No. 3828, to amend the definition of "money laundering and related financial crimes". **Page 26398**

Government Paperwork Elimination Act: Senate passed S. 2107, to enhance electronic commerce by promoting the reliability and integrity of commercial transactions through establishing authentication standards for electronic communications, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 26399**

Craig (for Abraham) Amendment No. 3829, to provide for acquisition and use of alternative information technologies by executive agencies. **Page 26400**

Plant Patent Amendments Act: Senate passed H.R. 1197, to amend title 35, United States Code, to protect patent owners against the unauthorized sale of plant parts taken from plants illegally reproduced, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 26402**

Craig (for Leahy) Amendment No. 3830, to provide for access to electronic patent information. **Page 26402**

Institutes and Schools Support: Senate passed S. 2638, to provide support for certain institutes and schools. **Page 26406**

Lewis and Clark Expedition Bicentennial Commemorative Coin Act: Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1560, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the bicentennial of the Lewis & Clark Expedition, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 26408**

Craig (for D'Amato) Amendment No. 3831, to award congressional gold medals to the "Little Rock Nine" and Gerald R. and Betty Ford, and to provide for a 6-month extension for certain coin sales. **Page 26408**

Public Safety Officers Educational Assistance Act: Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to S. 1525, to provide financial assistance for higher education to the dependents of Federal, State, and local public safety officers who are killed or permanently and totally dis-

abled as the result of a traumatic injury sustained in the line of duty, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 26383**

Criminal Use of Guns: Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to S. 191, to throttle criminal use of guns, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 26403**

Rhino and Tiger Production Labeling Act: Senate concurred in the amendments of the House to the Senate amendment to H.R. 2807, to amend the Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act of 1994 to prohibit the sale, importation, and exportation of products labeled as containing substances derived from rhinoceros or tiger, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 26404**

Messages From the House: **Page 26419**

Communications: **Page 26420**

Statements on Introduced Bills: **Page 26421**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page 26427**

Amendments Submitted: **Page 26429**

Additional Statements: **Page 26430**

Recess: Senate convened at 12 noon, and recessed at 4:13 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Friday, October 16, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 26432.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meeting were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 5 public bills, H.R. 4842-4846; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 351-352 and H. Res. 601-603, were introduced. **Page 26540**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Hepatitis C: Silent Epidemic, Mute Public Health Response (H. Rept. 105-820);

Medicare Home Health Services: No Surety in the Fight Against Fraud and Waste; and (H. Rept. 105-821); and

H.R. 2748, to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide assistance and slots with respect to air carrier service between high density airports and airports not receiving sufficient air service, to improve jet aircraft service to underserved (H. Rept. 105-822, part 1). **Page 26540**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Riggs to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 26433**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Regarding Visa Processing: H.R. 4821, to extend into fiscal year 1999 the visa processing period for diversity applicants whose visa processing was suspended during fiscal year 1998 due to embassy bombings; **Page 26437**

Pacific Northwest Emergency Management Arrangement: S.J. Res. 35, granting the consent of Congress to the Pacific Northwest Emergency Management Arrangement—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 26439**

Interstate Forest Fire Protection Compact: S. 1134, granting the consent and approval of Congress to an interstate forest fire protection compact—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 26441**

Regarding the Brutal Killing of Matthew Shepard: H. Res. 597, expressing the sense of the House with respect to the brutal killing of Mr. Matthew Shepard; **Page 26442**

Regarding Food Stamp Overpayment: S. 1733, to amend the Food Stamp Act of 1977 to require food stamp State agencies to take certain actions to ensure that food stamp coupons are not issued for deceased individuals, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to conduct a study of options for the design, development, implementation, and operation of a national database to track participation in Federal means-tested public assistance programs (agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 386 yeas with 1 voting "nay", Roll No. 533)—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages 26449, 26481**

Regarding Contracts and Leases with Respect to Coalbed Methane Gas: S. 2500, to protect the sanctity of contracts and leases entered into by surface patent holders with respect to coalbed methane gas—clearing the measure for the President; **Page 26451**

Regarding Oil and Gas Operation in Wayne National Forest: H.R. 1467, amended, to provide for the continuance of oil and gas operations pursuant to certain existing leases in the Wayne National Forest; **Page 26453**

Regarding Use of Outer Continental Shelf Resources: H.R. 3972, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to prohibit the Secretary of the Interior from charging State and local government agencies for certain uses of the sand, gravel, and shell resources of the outer Continental Shelf; **Page 26454**

Regarding Revenues from Mineral Springs Parcel: The House agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 700, to remove the restriction on the distribution of certain revenues from the Mineral Springs parcel to certain members of the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages 26456, 26482**

Regarding Boundaries of F.D.R. National Historic Site: H.R. 4829, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to transfer administrative jurisdiction over land within the boundaries of the Home of Franklin D. Roosevelt National Historic Site to the Archivist of the United States for the construction of a visitor center; **Pages 26458, 26482**

Grant-Kohrs Ranch National Historic Site Boundary Adjustment: S. 2272, to amend the boundaries of Grant-Kohrs Ranch National Historic Site in the State of Montana—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages 26459, 26482**

Regarding Taxation of Pension Income: H.R. 4572, amended, to clarify that governmental pension plans of the possessions of the United States shall be treated in the same manner as State pension plans for purposes of the limitation on the State income taxation of pension income; **Page 26464**

Regarding the United States Code: H.R. 4831, amended, to temporarily reenact chapter 12 of title 11 of the United States Code; **Page 26464**

Energy Conservation Reauthorization: The House agreed to the Senate amendment with House amendments to S. 417, to extend energy conservation programs under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act through September 30, 2002; **Page 26466**

Regarding Rewards for Information: The House agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 4660, to amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to provide rewards for information leading to the arrest or conviction of any individual for the commission of an act, or conspiracy to act, of international terrorism, narcotics related offenses, or for serious violations of international humanitarian law relating to the Former Yugoslavia; **Page 26470**

Regarding Foreign Imports of Steel: H. Res. 598, calling on the President to take all necessary measures to respond to the surge of steel imports resulting from the financial crises in Asia, Russia, and other regions (agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 345 yeas to 44 nays, Roll No. 532); **Page 26472**

Redesignating U.S. Capitol Police Headquarters: S. Con. Res. 120, to redesignate the United States Capitol Police headquarters building located at 119 D Street, Northeast, Washington, D.C., as the "Eney, Chestnut, Gibson Memorial Building"; and **Page 26486**

Regarding Amendments to H.R. 2204: H. Res. 602, providing for the concurrence of the House to the Senate amendment with an amendment to H.R. 2204, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for the Coast Guard. **Page 26488**

Suspensions—Failed: The House failed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Regarding Cultural Resource of Route 66: S. 2133, to preserve the cultural resources of the Route 66 corridor and to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance (failed by a recorded vote of 201 ayes to 190 noes, with two-thirds required for passage, Roll No. 534); and

Pages 26460, 26482

Bandelier National Monument Administrative Improvement and Watershed Protection: S. 1132, to modify the boundaries of the Bandelier National Monument to include the lands within the headwaters of the Upper Alamo Watershed which drain into the Monument and which are not currently within the jurisdiction of a Federal land management agency, to authorize purchase or donation of those lands (failed by a ye and nay vote of 194 yeas to 190 nays, with two-thirds required for passage, Roll No. 535).

Pages 26462, 26483

Recess: The House recessed at 1:31 p.m. and reconvened at 3:08 p.m.

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Returning Bill to Senate: The House agreed to H. Res. 601, returning to the Senate the bill S. 361, to amend the Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act of 1994.

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Lands at Hyde Park, New York: The House passed S. 2241, to provide for the acquisition of lands formerly occupied by the Franklin D. Roosevelt family at Hyde Park, New York—clearing the measure for the President.

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Correcting Enrollment of H.R. 3910: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 351, directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make a technical correction in the enrollment of the bill H.R. 3910.

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Correcting Enrollment of H.R. 3461: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 352, directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make technical corrections in the enrollment of the bill H.R. 3461.

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Remembering George Washington: The House agreed to S. Con. Res. 83, remembering the life of George Washington and his contributions to the Nation.

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Coast Guard Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 1998 and 1999: H. Res. 602, providing for the concurrence by the House with an amendment in the Senate amendment to H.R. 2204, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for the Coast Guard.

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British-American Interparliamentary Group: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following members of the House to the British-American Interparliamentary Group: Representatives Bereuter, Chairman; Regula, Vice Chairman; Boehlert, Bateman, Gillmor, Roukema, Ballenger, Blunt, Sisisky, Pickett, Wise and Tanner.

Page 26501

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, October 16.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages 26433, 26472, and 26524.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three ye and nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 26480, 26481, 26482, and 26483. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 10:22 p.m.

Committee Meetings

TECHNOLOGY TRANSFERS TO CHINA

Select Committee on U.S. National Security and Military/Commercial Concerns with the People's Republic of China: Met in executive session to continue to receive briefings.

Will continue tomorrow.

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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 26597–26611

Measures Introduced: One bill and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2640 and S. Res. 310.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2288, to provide for the reform and continuing legislative oversight of the production, procurement, dissemination, and permanent public access of the Government's publications, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–413)

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Measures Passed:

Printing Authority: Senate agreed to S. Res. 310, authorizing the printing of background information on the Committee on Foreign Relations as a Senate document.

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Native Hawaiian Housing Assistance: Senate passed S. 109, to provide Federal housing assistance to Native Hawaiians, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Further Continuing Appropriations: Senate passed H.J. Res. 136, making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 1999, clearing the measure for the President.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Additional Statements:

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Recess: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and recessed at 1:02 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Monday, October 19, 1998, for a pro forma session. **Page 26611**

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 4 public bills, H.R. 4847–4850, and 1 resolution, H.J. Res 136, were introduced. **Page 26596**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 604, providing for consideration S. 1132, to modify the boundaries of the Bandelier National Monument to include the lands within the headwaters of the Upper Alamo Watershed which drain into the Monument and which are not currently within the jurisdiction of a Federal land management agency, to authorize purchase or donation of those lands, and for consideration of S. 2133, an act to preserve the cultural resources of the Route 66 corridor and to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance (H. Rept. 105–823); and

Monumental Abuse: the Clinton Administration's Campaign of Misinformation in the Establishment of the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument (H. Rept. 105–824). **Page 26595**

Making Continuing Appropriations: The House passed H.J. Res. 136, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1999. **Page 26579**

Meeting Hour—Monday, October 19: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday, October 19, at 12 noon. **Page 26580**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Plant Patent Amendments: The House agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 1197, to amend title 35, United States Code, to protect patent owners against the unauthorized sale of plant parts taken from plants illegally reproduced—clearing the measure for the President; and **Page 26581**

Money Laundering and Financial Crimes Strategy: The House agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 1756, to amend chapter 53 of title 31, United States Code, to require the development and implementation by the Secretary of the Treasury of a national money laundering and related financial crimes strategy to combat money laundering and related financial crimes—clearing the measure for the President. **Page 26582**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 26592.

Quorum Calls—Votes: No votes developed during the proceedings of the House today. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 1 p.m. and adjourned at 3:03 p.m.

Committee Meetings

BANDELIER NATIONAL MONUMENT ADMINISTRATIVE IMPROVEMENT AND WATERSHED PROTECTION ACT; ROUTE 66 CORRIDOR—PRESERVE CULTURAL RESOURCES

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule providing for consideration in the House of S. 1132, Bandelier National Monument Administrative Improvement and Watershed Protection Act of 1998, under a closed rule. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Resources. The rule provides one motion to recommit. The rule also provides for consideration in the House of S. 2133, to preserve the cultural resources of the Route 66 corridor and to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance, under a closed rule. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Resources. The rule provides one motion to recommit.

TECHNOLOGY TRANSFERS TO CHINA

Select Committee on U.S. National Security and Military/Commercial Concerns with the People's Republic of China: Met in executive session to continue to receive briefings.

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Monday, October 19, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, page 26633

The Senate met at 9:58:40 a.m. in a pro forma session, and recessed at 9:58:54 a.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, October 20, 1998.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 5 public bills, H.R. 4851–4855, and 1 resolution, H.J. Res. 137, were introduced. **Page 27157**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Conference report on H.R. 4328, Making Appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105–825). **Pages 26634, 27157**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Pease to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page 26634**

Speaker Pro Tempore to Sign Enrolled Bills and Joint Resolutions: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Pease to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through Oct. 20, 1998. **Page 26634**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:02 p.m. and reconvened at 9:00 p.m. **Page 26634**

Making Further Continuing Appropriations: The House passed H.J. Res. 137, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1999. **Page 27153**

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on October 20. **Page 27153**

Presidential Message—Narcotics Traffickers in Colombia: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted his report concerning the actions of significant narcotics traffickers centered in Colombia—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–326). **Page 27153**

Quorum Calls—Votes: No votes developed during the proceedings of the House today. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

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Tuesday, October 20, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 27165–27228

Measures Introduced: Seven bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2641–2647, S. Res. 311, and S. Con. Res. 129 and 130. **Page 27208**

Measures Passed:

Further Continuing Appropriations: Senate passed H.J. Res. 137, making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 1999, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 27165**

Correction Officers Health and Safety Act: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 2070, to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for the mandatory testing for serious transmissible diseases of incarcerated persons whose bodily fluids come into contact with corrections personnel and notice to those personnel of the results of the tests, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 27165**

Burns (for Hatch) Amendment No. 3832, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 27165**

Africa: Seeds of Hope Act: Senate passed H.R. 4283, to support sustainable and broad-based agricultural and rural development in sub-Saharan Africa, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page 27166**

Burns (for DeWine) Amendment No. 3833, in the nature of a substitute. **Page 27166**

Controlled Substances Trafficking Prohibition Act: Senate passed H.R. 3633, to amend the Controlled Substances Import and Export Act to place limitations on controlled substances brought into the United States from Mexico, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 27166**

Computation of Annuities for State Department Special Agents and Security Personnel: Senate passed H.R. 633, to amend the Foreign Service Act of 1980 to provide that the annuities of certain special agents and security personnel of the Department of State be computed in the same way as applies generally with respect to Federal law enforcement officers, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 27166**

Regarding Access for Disabled Persons: Senate passed H.R. 4501, to require the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to improve the access for persons with disabilities to outdoor recreational opportunities made available to the public, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 27166**

Enrollment Correction: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 129, to correct a technical error in the enrollment of H.R. 3910. **Page 27166**

Omnibus Appropriations, 1999: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for a vote to occur on the conference report on H.R. 4328, the Omnibus Con-

solidated and Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1999, on Wednesday, October 21, 1998, at 9 a.m.

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Messages from the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Received on October 19, 1998, during the recess of the Senate:

A message from the President of the United States transmitting the report concerning the continuation of the national emergency with respect to narcotics traffickers centered in Columbia; referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM-164).

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Douglas L. Miller, of South Dakota, to be a Director of the Federal Housing Finance Board for a term expiring February 27, 2002.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

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Messages From the President:

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Messages From the House:

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Communications:

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Statements on Introduced Bills:

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Amendments Submitted:

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Additional Statements:

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Recess: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and recessed at 4:33 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Wednesday, October 21, 1998.

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Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 18 public bills, H.R. 4856-4873; and 8 resolutions, H.J. Res. 138, H. Con. Res. 353-354, and H. Res. 606-610 were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 605, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 4328, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 105-826).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Hefley to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:44 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

Miscellaneous and Technical Amendments to Trade Law: H.R. 4856, to make miscellaneous and technical changes to various trade laws.

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Recess: The House recessed at 2:50 p.m. and reconvened at 4:25 p.m.

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Preparation for the Adjournment of the Second Session Sine Die: The House agreed to H. Res. 594, as modified, providing for consideration of certain resolutions in preparation for the adjournment of the second session sine die.

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Convening Day for the 106th Congress: House passed H.J. Res. 138, appointing the day for the convening of the first session of the One Hundred Sixth Congress.

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Organizational Caucus: Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 594, adopted H. Res. 606, providing that any organizational caucus or conference in the House for the 106th Congress may begin on or after November 13, 1998.

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Printing of House Rules and Manual: Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 594, adopted H. Res. 607, providing for the printing of a revised edition of the House Rules and Manual for the 106th Congress.

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Committee to Inform the President: Pursuant to H. Res. 594, adopted H. Res. 608, appointing Members to join a similar committee appointed by the Senate to inform the President that the two Houses have completed their business of the session and are ready to adjourn. Subsequently, appointed Representatives Armey and Gephardt to the committee.

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Omnibus Consolidated Appropriations: The House agreed to the conference report accompanying H.R. 4328, Omnibus Consolidated and Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for fiscal year 1999, by a yeas and nays vote of 333 yeas to 95 nays, Roll No. 538.

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H. Res. 605, the rule waiving points of order on the conference report accompanying the bill, was agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 333 yeas to 88 nays, Roll No. 536.

Page 27261

Adjournment Sine Die: Agreed to H. Con. Res. 353, providing for the adjournment of both Houses sine die.

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Bandelier National Monument Administrative Improvement and Watershed Protection: The House passed S. 1132, to modify the boundaries of the Bandelier National Monument to include the lands within the headwaters of the Upper Alamo Watershed which drain into the Monument and which are not currently within the jurisdiction of a Federal land management agency, to authorize purchase or donation of those lands, by voice vote—clearing the measure for the President.

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Earlier, H. Res. 604, the rule that provided for consideration of both S. 1132 and S. 2133, was agreed to by a yeas and nays vote of 229 yeas to 189 nays, Roll No. 537. **Pages 27231, 27269**

International Anti-Bribery: The House disagreed to Senate amendments nos. 2 through 6 and agreed to Senate amendment no. 1 with an amendment to S. 2375, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, to strengthen prohibitions on international bribery and other corrupt practices. **Page 27350**

Government Programs Waste Reduction: The House passed H.R. 4857, to reduce waste, fraud, and error in Government programs by making improvements with respect to Federal management and debt collection practices, Federal payment systems, Federal benefit programs. Agreed to the Davis of Virginia amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page 27352**

Technology Transfer Commercialization: The House passed H.R. 4859, to improve the ability of Federal agencies to license federally owned inventions. **Page 27358**

Lewis and Clark Expedition Bicentennial Commemorative Coin: The House agreed to the Senate amendment with an amendment to H.R. 1560, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the bicentennial of the Lewis & Clark Expedition. **Page 27360**

Designation of Speaker Pro Tempore: Read and accepted a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Morella to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through the end of the Second Session of the One Hundred Fifth Congress. **Page 27361**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of October 21. **Page 27361**

Regarding the Sale or Diversion of Great Lakes Water: The House agreed to H. Res. 566, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the President and the Senate should take the necessary actions to prevent the sale or diversion of Great Lakes water to foreign countries, business, corporations, and individuals until procedures are established to guarantee that any such sale is fully negotiated between and approved by the governments concerned. **Page 27361**

Africa: Seeds of Hope: The House agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 4283, to support sustainable and broad-based agricultural and rural development in sub-Saharan Africa—clearing the measure for the President. **Page 27362**

Regarding the Bushehr Nuclear Power Plant: The House passed H.R. 4851, to withhold voluntary proportional assistance for programs and projects of the International Atomic Energy Agency relating to the develop-

ment and completion of the Bushehr nuclear power plant in Iran. **Page 27365**

Regarding the People of the Republic of Mozambique: The House agreed to H. Res. 610, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the people of the Republic of Mozambique are to be commended for their commitment to rebuilding their nation after years of civil war, their willingness to live together harmoniously despite sharp political differences, and their ability to overcome poverty, health crises, and refugee outflows to build a growing economy and a positive future for their country. **Page 27368**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages 27230 and 27271.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yeas and nays votes developed during the proceedings of the House today, and appear on pages 27269, 27270, and 27348. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Committee Meetings

CONFERENCE REPORT—TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS (OMNIBUS APPROPRIATIONS)

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 4328, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard from Chairman Livingston and Representative Obey.

Wednesday, October 21, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 27412–27661

Measures Introduced: Eight bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2648–2655, and S. Res. 312–314. **Page 27546**

Measures Passed:

Sine Die Adjournment: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 353, providing for the sine die adjournment of the second session of the One Hundred Fifth Congress. **Page 27483**

Convening of the One Hundred Sixth Congress: Senate agreed to H.J. Res. 138, appointing the day for the

convening of the first session of the One Hundred Sixth Congress, clearing the measure for the President.

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Ricky Ray Hemophilia Relief Fund Act: Senate passed H.R. 1023, to provide for compassionate payments with regard to individuals with blood-clotting disorders, such as hemophilia, who contracted human immunodeficiency virus due to contaminated blood products, clearing the measure for the President.

Page 27589

Fiscal Year Budget Levels: Senate agreed to S. Res. 312, to amend Senate Resolution 209 in order to provide budget levels in the Senate for purposes of fiscal year 1999 and include the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2000, 2001, 2002, and 2003.

Page 27592

Congressional Medal of Honor: Senate passed H.R. 2263, to authorize and request the President to award the congressional Medal of Honor posthumously to Theodore Roosevelt for his gallant and heroic actions in the attack on San Juan Heights, Cuba, during the Spanish-American War, clearing the measure for the President.

Page 27594

Senate agreed to S. Res. 313, expressing the sense of the Senate with respect to the brutal killing of Mr. Matthew Shepard.

Page 27615

Child Custody: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4164, to amend title 28, United States Code, with respect to the enforcement of child custody and visitation orders, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

Page 27619

Lott (for Hatch) Amendment No. 3837, in the nature of the substitute.

Page 27619

Technical Amendments: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 2440, to make technical amendments to section 10 of title 9, United States Code, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

Page 27620

Lott (for Hatch/Leahy) Amendment No. 3838, to authorize the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Page 27620

Taxpayer Relief Act Amendments: Senate passed H.R. 2513, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restore and modify the provision of the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997 relating to exempting active financing income from foreign personal holding company income and to provide for the nonrecognition of gain on the sale of stock in agricultural processors to certain farmers' co-operatives, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

Page 27621

Lott (for Moynihan) Amendment No. 3839, in the nature of a substitute.

Page 27621

Technical Correction: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 351, directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives

to make a technical correction in the enrollment of the bill H.R. 3910.

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U.S.-Poland Fishery Agreement: Senate passed H.R. 3461, to approve a governing international fishery agreement between the United States and the Republic of Poland, clearing the measure for the President.

Page 27622

Technical Correction: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 352, directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make technical corrections in the enrollment of a bill.

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Gabon Elections: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 285, expressing the sense of the Senate that all necessary steps should be taken to ensure the elections to be held in Gabon in December of 1998 are free and fair, and the resolution was then agreed to, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

Page 27622

Lott (for Lugar) Amendment No. 3834, in the nature of a substitute.

Page 27622

Nadia Dabbagh: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 293, expressing the sense of the Senate that Nadia Dabbagh should be returned home to her mother, Ms. Maureen Dabbagh, and the resolution was then agreed to.

Page 27623

Dato Seri Anwar Ibrahim: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 294, expressing the sense of the Senate with respect to developments in Malaysia and the arrest of Dato Seri Anwar Ibrahim, and the resolution was then agreed to.

Page 27623

Population of Sierra Leone: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 298, condemning the terror, vengeance, and human rights abuses against the civilian population of Sierra Leone, and the resolution was then agreed to, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

Page 27623

Lott (for Abraham) Amendment No. 3835, in the nature of a substitute.

Page 27623

Ukrainian Famine Anniversary: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. Con. Res. 122, expressing the sense of Congress that the 65th anniversary of the Ukrainian Famine 1932-1933 should serve as a reminder of the brutality of the government of the former Soviet Union's repressive policies toward the Ukrainian people, and the resolution was then agreed to.

Page 27625

Universal Declaration of Human Rights Anniversary: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of H. Con. Res. 185, expressing the sense of the Congress on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the signing of the Universal Declaration of

Human Rights and recommitting the United States to the principles expressed in the Universal Declaration, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page 27625**

Child Abduction: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of H. Con. Res. 224, urging international cooperation in recovering children abducted in the United States and taken to other countries, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page 27625**

Cuba Extradition of U.S. Felons: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of H. Con. Res. 254, calling on the Government of Cuba to extradite to the United States convicted felon Joanne Chesimard and all other individuals who have fled the United States to avoid prosecution or confinement for criminal offenses and who are currently living freely in Cuba, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page 27625**

New Tribes Mission Hostage Crisis: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of H. Con. Res. 277, concerning the New Tribes Mission hostage crisis, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page 27625**

Window on America: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4083, to make available to the Ukrainian Museum and Archives the USIA television program "Window on America", and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 27625**

FY 1999 Visa Processing Extension: Senate passed H.R. 4821, to extend into fiscal year 1999 the visa processing period for diversity applicants whose visa processing was suspended during fiscal year 1998 due to embassy bombings, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 27653**

Private Relief: Senate passed H.R. 1834, for the relief of Mercedes Del Carmen Quiroz Martinez Cruz, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 27654**

Private Relief: Senate passed H.R. 1794, for the relief of Mai Hoa "Jasmine" Salehi, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 27654**

Private Relief: Senate passed H.R. 378, for the relief of Heraclio Tolley, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 27654**

Private Relief: Senate passed H.R. 379, for the relief of Larry Errol Pieterse, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 27654**

Private Relief: Senate passed H.R. 1949, for the relief of Nuratu Olarewaju Abeke Kadiri, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 27654**

Private Relief: Senate passed H.R. 2744, for the relief of Chong Ho Kwak, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 27654**

Passage Vitiated: Senate vitiated passage of the following measure:

Foreign Operations Appropriations, 1999: S. 2334, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and the bill was returned to the Senate Calendar. **Page 27615**

Omnibus Appropriations—Conference Report: By 65 yeas to 29 nays (Vote No. 314), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4328, the Omnibus Consolidated and Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1999, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 27412**

Veterans Benefits Improvement Act: Senate concurred in the amendments of the House to H.R. 4110, to provide a cost-of-living adjustment in rates of compensation paid to veterans with service-connected disabilities, and to make various improvements in education, housing, and cemetery programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 27519**

Federal Reports Elimination Act: Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to S. 1364, to eliminate unnecessary and wasteful Federal reports, with a Lott (for McCain) Amendment No. 3836, to retain certain transportation reports. **Page 27615**

Coast Guard Authorizations: Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to H.R. 2204, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for the Coast Guard, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 27625**

International Anti-Bribery Act: Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to Senate amendment No. 1, and receded from Senate amendments Nos. 2 through 6 to S. 2375, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, and to strengthen prohibitions on international bribery and other corrupt practices, clearing the measure for the President. **Page 27653**

Perkins County Rural Water System Act: Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to S. 2117, to authorize the construction of the Perkins County Rural Water System and authorize financial assistance to the Perkins County Rural Water System, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, in the planning and construction of the water supply system, with a DeWine (for Murkowski/Bumpers) Amendment No. 3842, to improve the bill. **Page 27654**

Treaties Approved: The following treaties having passed through their various parliamentary stages, up to and including the presentation of the resolutions of ratification, upon division, two-thirds of the Senators present and having voted in the affirmative, the resolutions of ratification were agreed to:

Agreement with Hong Kong on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters, with Annex. (Treaty Doc. 105-6);

Treaty with Luxembourg on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters. (Treaty Doc. 105-11);

Treaty with Poland on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters. (Treaty Doc. 105-12);

Treaty with Trinidad and Tobago on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters. (Treaty Doc. 105-22);

Treaty with Barbados on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters. (Treaty Doc. 105-23);

Treaty with Antigua and Barbuda, Dominica, Grenada and St. Lucia on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters. (Treaty Doc. 105-24);

Treaty with Australia on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters. (Treaty Doc. 105-27);

Treaty with Latvia on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters. (Treaty Doc. 105-34), with the following amendment proposed thereto:

DeWine (for Helms) Exec. Amendment No. 3840, to make a technical correction.

Treaty with St. Kitts and Nevis on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters. (Treaty Doc. 105-37);

Treaty with Venezuela on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters. (Treaty Doc. 105-38);

Treaty with Israel on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters. (Treaty Doc. 105-40), with the following amendment proposed thereto:

DeWine (for Helms) Exec. Amendment No. 3841, to make a technical correction.

Treaty with Lithuania on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters. (Treaty Doc. 105-41);

Treaty with Brazil on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters. (Treaty Doc. 105-42); in Criminal Matters. (Treaty Doc. 105-44);

Treaty with Czech Republic on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters. (Treaty Doc. 105-47); and

Treaty with Estonia on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters. (Treaty Doc. 105-52).

Each of the aforementioned treaties were agreed to with one understanding, one declaration and two provisos.

Extradition Treaty with Luxembourg. (Treaty Doc. 105-10);

Extradition Treaty with France. (Treaty Doc. 105-13);

Extradition Treaty with Poland. (Treaty Doc. 105-14);

Third Supplementary Extradition Treaty with Spain. (Treaty Doc. 105-15);

Extradition Treaty with Cyprus. (Treaty Doc. 105-16);

Extradition Treaty with Argentina. (Treaty Doc. 105-18);

Extradition Treaties with Organization of Eastern Caribbean States. (Treaty Doc. 105-19);

Extradition Treaty with Barbados. (Treaty Doc. 105-20);

Extradition Treaty with Trinidad and Tobago. (Treaty Doc. 105-21);

Extradition Treaty with India. (Treaty Doc. 105-30);

Extradition Treaty with Zimbabwe. (Treaty Doc. 105-33); and

Extradition Treaty with Austria. (Treaty Doc. 105-50).

Each of the aforementioned treaties were agreed to with one understanding, one declaration and one proviso.

Protocol to Extradition Treaty with Mexico, with one declaration and one proviso. (Treaty Doc. 105-36);

Agreement with Hong Kong on the Transfer of Sentenced Persons, with one declaration and one proviso. (Treaty Doc. 105-7); and

WIPO Copyright Treaty (WCT) (1996) and WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty (WPPT) (1996), with one reservation, two declarations and three provisos. (Treaty Doc. 105-17).

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Lawrence Baskir, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

Patricia A. Broderick, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

Rebecca R. Pallmeyer, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois.

Rebecca M. Blank, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisers.

Alan Greenspan, of New York, to be United States Alternate Governor of the International Monetary Fund for a term of five years.

Stuart E. Eizenstat, of Maryland, to be United States Alternate Governor of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development for a term of five years; United States Alternate Governor of the Inter-American Development Bank for a term of five years; United States Alternate Governor of the African Development Fund; United States Alternate Governor of the Asian Development Bank; United States Alternate Governor of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

Paul M. Igasaki, of California, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for a term expiring July 1, 2002.

Eligah Dane Clark, of Alabama, to be Chairman of the Board of Veterans' Appeals for a term of six years.

Edward A. Powell, Jr., of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Management).

Arthur A. McGiverin, of Iowa, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute for a term expiring September 17, 2000.

Nora M. Manella, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California vice Mariana R. Pfaelzer, retired.

Frank E. Loy, of the District of Columbia, to be an Under Secretary of State.

Jeanne E. Scott, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of Illinois.

Henry L. Solano, of Colorado, to be Solicitor of the Department of Labor.

Nikki Rush Tinsley, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Environmental Protection Agency.

David R. Herndon, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois vice William L. Beatty, retired.

E. William Crotty, of Florida, to be Ambassador to Barbados, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Antigua and Barbuda, to the Commonwealth of Dominica, to Grenada, to St. Kitts and Nevis, to Saint Lucia, and to Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.

Natalia Combs Greene, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

Neal E. Kravitz, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

Robert S. Lasnik, of Washington, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Washington.

Alvin K. Hellerstein, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York.

Jose de Jesus Rivera, of Arizona, to be United States Attorney for the District of Arizona for the term of four years.

Richard M. Berman, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York.

Donovan W. Frank, of Minnesota, to be United States District Judge for the District of Minnesota.

Colleen McMahon, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York.

William H. Pauley III, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York.

Greta Joy Dicus, of Arkansas, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for the term of five years expiring June 30, 2003.

Yvette Kane, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania.

James M. Munley, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania.

Thomas J. Whelan, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California.

William C. Apgar, Jr., of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Ida L. Castro, of New York, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for a term expiring July 1, 2003.

Robert C. Felder, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Benin.

James Vela Ledesma, of California, to be Ambassador to the Gabonese Republic and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe.

George Mu, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Cote d'Ivoire.

Robert Cephas Perry, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Central African Republic.

Joseph Gerard Sullivan, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Angola.

Saul N. Ramirez, Jr., of Texas, to be Deputy Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Eric David Newsom, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State.

Lynn Jeanne Bush, of the District of Columbia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

Jane E. Henney, of New Mexico, to be Commissioner of Food and Drugs, Department of Health and Human Services.

Kenneth Prewitt, of New York, to be Director of the Census.

David O. Carter, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

Bert T. Edwards, of Maryland, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of State.

Joseph H. Melrose, Jr., of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Sierra Leone.

John Shattuck, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the Czech Republic.

David G. Carpenter, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State.

David G. Carpenter, of Virginia, to be Director of the Office of Foreign Missions, and to have the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service.

Richard Henry Jones, of Nebraska, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Kathryn Dee Robinson, of Tennessee, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Ghana.

Robert Patrick John Finn, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Tajikistan.

Simon Ferro, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Panama.

D. Bambi Kraus, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development for a term expiring May 19, 2004.

Mary Beth West, of the District of Columbia, a Career Member of the Senior Executive Service, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Oceans, Fisheries, and Space.

George McDade Staples, of Kentucky, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Rwanda.

John Melvin Yates, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Cameroon.

John J. Pikarski, Jr., of Illinois, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation for the remainder of the term expiring December 17, 1998.

John J. Pikarski, Jr., of Illinois, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation for a term expiring December 17, 2001.

Romulo L. Diaz, Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

J. Charles Fox, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Paul Steven Miller, of California, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for the remainder of the term expiring July 1, 1999.

Thomasina V. Rogers, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission for a term expiring April 27, 2003.

Bernard Daniel Rostker, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of the Army.

John Melvin Yates, of Washington, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador of the United States of America to the Republic of Equatorial Guinea.

Robert C. Randolph, of Washington, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Agency for International Development.

Sylvia M. Mathews, of West Virginia, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

James A. Tassone, of Florida, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of Florida for the term of four years.

Scott Richard Lassar, of Illinois, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois for the term of four years.

Leigh A. Bradley, of Virginia, to be General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs.

Norine E. Noonan, of Florida, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Patricia T. Montoya, of New Mexico, to be Commissioner on Children, Youth, and Families, Department of Health and Human Services.

Eugene A. Conti, Jr., of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation.

Gregory H. Friedman, of Colorado, to be Inspector General of the Department of Energy.

Harry Litman, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Pennsylvania for the term of four years.

Francis M. Allegra, of Virginia, to be Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

Michael M. Reyna, of California, to be a Member of the Farm Credit Administration Board, Farm Credit Administration, for a term expiring May 21, 2004.

Cardell Cooper, of New Jersey, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Charles G. Groat, of Texas, to be Director of the United States Geological Survey.

David C. Williams, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Department of the Treasury.

John U. Sepulveda, of New York, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Personnel Management.

Joseph E. Stevens, Jr., of Missouri, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Harry S Truman Scholarship Foundation for a term expiring December 10, 2003.

Harold Lucas, of New Jersey, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Terrence L. Bracy, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy for a term expiring October 6, 2004.

Peter J. Basso, Jr., of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation.

Robert Bruce Green, of Oklahoma, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Oklahoma for the term of four years.

Joseph Swerdzewski, of Colorado, to be General Counsel of the Federal Labor Relations Authority for a term of five years.

Pamela A. Ferguson, of Iowa, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2004.

Anita K. Jones, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2004.

Margaret B. Seymour, of South Carolina, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina.

Harold Hongju Koh, of Connecticut, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor.

B. Lynn Pascoe, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Malaysia.

R. Rand Beers, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State.

C. David Welch, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of State.

Eljay B. Bowron, of Michigan, to be Inspector General, Department of the Interior.

David Michaels, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Environment, Safety and Health).

William B. Bader, of New Jersey, to be an Associate Director of the United States Information Agency.

Michael J. Sullivan, of Wyoming, to be Ambassador to Ireland.

Aleta A. Trauger, of Tennessee, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Tennessee.

Denise E. O'Donnell, of New York, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of New York for the term of four years.

C. Donald Johnson, Jr., of Georgia, for the Rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Chief Textile Negotiator.

William Clifford Smith, of Louisiana, to be a Member of the Mississippi River Commission for a term expiring October 21, 2005.

Alex R. Munson, of the Northern Mariana Islands, to be Judge for the District Court for the Northern Mariana Islands for a term of ten years.

Edward J. Damich, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

Nancy B. Firestone, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

Emily Clark Hewitt, of Massachusetts, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

Ira G. Peppercorn, of Indiana, to be Director of the Office of Multifamily Housing Assistance Restructuring.

Ashish Sen, of Illinois, to be Director of the Bureau of Transportation Statistics, Department of Transportation, for the term of four years.

Jeffrey S. Merrifield, of New Hampshire, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for the term expiring June 30, 2002.

Isadore Rosenthal, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board for a term of five years.

Dana Bruce Covington, Sr., of Mississippi, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Rate Commission for a term expiring October 14, 2004.

Edward Jay Gleiman, of Maryland, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Rate Commission for a term expiring October 14, 2004.

David M. Walker, of Georgia, to be Comptroller General of the United States for a term of fifteen years.

Andrea Kidd Taylor, of Michigan, to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board for a term of five years.

Norman A. Mordue, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of New York.

Donnie R. Marshall, of Texas, to be Deputy Administrator of Drug Enforcement.

Margaret Ellen Curran, of Rhode Island, to be United States Attorney for the District of Rhode Island for the term of four years.

Byron Todd Jones, of Minnesota, to be United States Attorney for the District of Minnesota for the term of four years.

Harold J. Creel, Jr., of South Carolina, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner for the term expiring June 30, 2004.

Robert W. Perciasepe, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

John A. Moran, of Virginia, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner for the term expiring June 30, 2000.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today: (Total—314). Page 27483

Recess: Senate convened at 9 a.m. and, in accordance with H. Con. Res. 353, adjourned sine die at 2:33 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 1 public bill, H.R. 4874, was introduced. Page 27411

Reports Filed: No Reports were filed today.

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Pease to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through October 22, 1998. Page 27403

Recess: The House recessed at 10:03 a.m. and reconvened at 5:43 p.m. Page 27403

Presidential Veto Message—State Department Authorization: Read a message from the President wherein he announces his veto of H.R. 1757, to consolidate international affairs agencies, to authorize appropriations for the Department of State and related agencies for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, and explains his reasons therefore—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105—329). Page 27404

Federal Reports Elimination: The House agreed to the Senate amendment to S. 1364, to eliminate unnecessary and wasteful Federal reports—clearing the measure for the President. Page 27405

Child Custody Enforcement: The House agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 4164, to amend title 28, United States Code, with respect to the enforcement of

child custody and visitation orders—clearing the measure for the President. **Page 27405**

Sonny Bono Memorial Salton Sea Reclamation: The House agreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 3267, to direct the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to conduct a feasibility study and construct a project to reclaim the Salton Sea—clearing the measure for the President. **Page 27406**

Regarding the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday: The House passed H.R. 3216, to amend the Act commonly called the "Flag Code" to add the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday to the list of days on which the flag should especially be displayed. **Page 27407**

Correction Officers Health and Safety: The House agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 2070, to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for the mandatory testing for serious transmissible diseases of incarcerated persons whose bodily fluids come into contact with corrections personnel and notice to those personnel of the results of the tests—clearing the measure for the President. **Page 27407**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on page 27403.

Quorum Calls—Votes: No votes developed during the proceedings of the House today. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and pursuant to H. Con. Res. 353 adjourned sine die at 5:56 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

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Thursday, November 12, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate adjourned sine die on Wednesday, October 21, 1998. The 1st session of the 106th Congress will convene at 12 Noon, Wednesday, January 6, 1999.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House adjourned sine die on Wednesday, October 21, 1998. The 1st session of the 106th Congress will convene at 12 noon, Wednesday, January 6, 1999.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

SECOND SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House. The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 27 through October 21, 1998

	<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Days in session	143	116	..
Time in session	1,095 hrs., 05"	975 hrs., 23"	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	13,004	11,720	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	2,333	..
Public bills enacted into law	51	135	186
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	..	..
Bills in conference .....	..	5	..
Measures passed, total	506	639	1,145
Senate bills	171	92	..
House bills	157	287	..
Senate joint resolutions	4	4	..
House joint resolutions	10	12	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	30	11	..
House concurrent resolutions	25	52	..
Simple resolutions	109	181	..
Measures reported, total	363	377	740
Senate bills	245	6	..
House bills	79	241	..
Senate joint resolutions	7	..	..
House joint resolutions	1	4	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	9	..	..
House concurrent resolutions	1	9	..
Simple resolutions	21	117	..
Special reports	19	19	..
Conference reports .....	..	26	..
Measures pending on calendar	246	87	..
Measures introduced, total	1,321	2,248	3,569
Bills	1,090	1,786	..
Joint resolutions	21	32	..
Concurrent resolutions	60	154	..
Simple resolutions	150	276	..
Quorum calls	4	14	..
Yea-and-nay votes	314	248	..
Recorded votes .....	..	276	..
Bills vetoed .....	..	4	..
Vetoes overridden .....	..	2	..

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 27 through October 21, 1998

Civilian nominations, totaling 460 (including 124 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	319
Withdrawn	24
Returned to White House	114
Civilian nominations (FS, PHS, CG, NOAA), totaling 1,532 (including 86 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,526
Returned to White House	6
Air Force nominations, totaling 6,091 (including 21 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	6,087
Returned to White House	4
Army nominations, totaling 5,481 (including 2 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	5,478
Returned to White House	3
Navy nominations, totaling 5,051 (including 4 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	5,045
Returned to White House	6
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 1,847, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,847
<i>Summary</i>	
Total Nominations carried over from the First Session	237
Total Nominations received this session	20,225
Total Confirmed	20,302
Total Withdrawn	27
Total Returned to White House	133

*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 253 reports have been filed in the Senate, a total of 422 reports have been filed in the House.

Thursday, December 17, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. It is next scheduled to meet on Wednesday, January 6, 1999 at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 3 resolutions, H.J. Res. 139–140 and H. Res. 612, were introduced. **Page 27819**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Filed on November 2: Investigation of the Conversion of the \$1.7 Million Centralized White House Computer System, Known as the White House Database, and Related Matters (H. Rept. 105–828);

Filed on November 5: Investigation of Political Fund Raising Improprieties and Possible Violations of Law—Interim Report (H. Rept. 105–829); and

Filed on December 15: H. Res. 611, Impeaching William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States, for high crimes and misdemeanors (H. Rept. 105–830). **Page 27819**

Reassembling of the House of Representatives on December 17th: The Speaker laid before the House the text of the formal notification he sent to Members on Monday, December 14, 1998 on the reassembling of the House. **Page 27770**

Advisory Commission on Electronic Commerce: On November 27, the Speaker appointed the following individuals to the Advisory Commission on Electronic Commerce: Mr. Grover Norquist of Virginia; Mr. Richard D. Parsons of New York; Mr. David Pottruck of California; Mr. James Gilmore of Virginia and Mr. Dean Andal of California. On December 3, the Minority Leader appointed the following individuals to the Commission: Mr. Gary Locke of Washington; Mr. Ron Kirk of Texas; and Mr. Robert Pittman of Virginia. **Page 27770**

Twenty-First Century Workforce Commission: On November 13, the Speaker appointed the following individuals to the Twenty-First Century Workforce Commission: Mr. Thomas J. Murrin of Pennsylvania; Mr. Ken-

neth Saxe of Pennsylvania; Mr. Frank Riggs of California; and Mr. Frank Roberts of California. **Page 27770**

Communication from the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Read a letter from the Chairman of the Committee wherein he transmitted copies of resolutions approved by the Committee on October 9, 1998—referred to the Committee on Appropriations. **Page 27770**

Commending U.S. Forces in the Persian Gulf: The House agreed to H. Res. 612, expressing unequivocal support for the men and women of our Armed Forces who are currently carrying out missions in and around the Persian Gulf region, by a yea and nay vote of 417 yeas to 5 nays, with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 539. **Page 27770**

Recess: The House recessed at 1:04 p.m. and reconvened at 2:57 p.m. **Page 27798**

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea and nay vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appears on page 27797. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 3:36 p.m.

Committee Meetings

IMPEACHMENT INQUIRY

Committee on the Judiciary: On December 12, the Committee concluded consideration of a proposed resolution containing articles of impeachment against President Clinton and took the following action:

Adopted article IV, as amended, abuse of power, by a vote of 21–16.

Failed to adopt a proposed joint resolution expressing the sense of Congress with respect to censuring the President, by a vote of 22 to 14 and with 1 voting present. Committee adjourned subject to call.

On December 11, the Committee concluded debate on and took the following action on a proposed resolution containing articles of impeachment against President Clinton:

Adopted article I, as amended, perjury before the grand jury, by a vote of 21 to 16;

Adopted article II, perjury in a civil case, by a vote of 20 to 17; and

Adopted article III, obstruction of justice, by a vote of 21 to 16.

IMPEACHMENT INQUIRY

Committee on the Judiciary: On December 10, began debate on a proposed resolution containing articles of impeachment against President Clinton.

The Committee also heard final presentations in the Impeachment Inquiry by Abbe Lowell, Minority Chief

Investigative Counsel and David Schippers, Chief Investigative Counsel.

Prior to the presentations, the Committee met in executive session and approved a motion to release certain documents necessary for the presentations.

IMPEACHMENT INQUIRY

Committee on the Judiciary: On December 9, the Committee continued hearings in the Impeachment Inquiry pursuant to H. Res. 581. Testimony was heard on Prosecutorial Standards for Obstruction of Justice and Perjury. Testimony was heard from Thomas P. Sullivan, former U.S. Attorney, Northern District of Illinois; Richard J. Davis, Weil, Gotschal and Manges; Edward S.G. Dennis, Jr., Morgan, Lewis and Bockius; William Weld, former Governor of Massachusetts; and Prof. Ronald Noble, Professor of Law, New York University Law School.

The Committee also heard testimony in the Impeachment Inquiry from Charles F.C. Ruff, Counsel to the President.

On December 8, the Committee continued hearings in the Impeachment Inquiry pursuant to H. Res. 581, authorizing and directing the Committee on the Judiciary to investigate whether sufficient grounds exist for the impeachment of William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States. Testimony was heard on Historical Precedents and Constitutional Standards, Abuse of Power, and How to Evaluate Evidence. The Committee heard testimony from Gregory B. Craig, Assistant to the President and Special Counsel; Nicholas Katzenbach, former Attorney General; Prof. Bruce Ackerman, Sterling Professor of Law and Political Science, Yale University; Prof. Sean Wilentz, The Dayton Stockton Professor of History, Princeton University; Prof. Samuel H. Beer, Eaton Professor of the Science of Government Emeritus, Harvard University; former Representative Elizabeth Holtzman of New York; former Representative Robert J. Drinan, S.J., of Massachusetts; former Representative Wayne Owens of Utah; James Hamilton, Swidler, Berlin, Shereff and Firedman; and Richard Ben-Veniste, former Assistant Attorney General.

CONSEQUENCES OF PERJURY AND RELATED CRIMES

Committee on the Judiciary: On December 1, the Committee held an oversight hearing on the Consequences of Perjury and Related Crimes. Testimony was heard from Gerald B. Tjoflat, U.S. Circuit Judge, U.S. Courts of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit; Charles E. Wiggins, U.S. Circuit Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit; A. Leon Higginbotham, Jr., former Chief Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit; Elliot Richardson, former Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, Secretary of Defense, Attorney General and Secretary of Commerce; Adm. Leon A. Edney, USN (Ret.), former Vice Chief of Naval Operations; Lt. Gen. Thomas P. Carney, USA, (Ret.), former Deputy Chief of Staff, Personnel; Prof.

Alan Dershowitz, Felix Frankfurter Professor of Law, Harvard Law School; the following Professors from George Washington University Law School: Prof. Stephen Saltzburg, Howrey Professor of Trial Advocacy, Litigation, and Professional Responsibility and Prof. Jeffrey Rosen, Associate Professor of Law; Pam Parsons, Atlanta, Georgia; and Barbara Battalino, Los Osos, California.

The Committee also approved the issuance of subpoenas for depositions and materials.

IMPEACHMENT INQUIRY

Committee on the Judiciary: On November 19, the Committee held a hearing in the Impeachment Inquiry pursuant to H. Res. 581, authorizing and directing the Committee on the Judiciary to investigate whether sufficient grounds exist for the impeachment of William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States. Testimony was heard from Kenneth W. Starr, Independent Counsel.

The Committee also met in executive session and approved the issuance of subpoenas for depositions.

IMPEACHMENT—BACKGROUND AND HISTORY

Committee on the Judiciary: On November 9, the Subcommittee on the Constitution held a hearing on "The Background and History of Impeachment". Testimony was heard from various professors and attorneys with background and expertise in constitutional law.

SAVING THE SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM

Committee on Ways and Means: On November 19, the Committee held a hearing on Saving the Social Security System. Testimony was heard from Senator Gramm; David W. Wilcox, Assistant Secretary, Economic Policy, Department of the Treasury; John F. Cogan, former Assistant Secretary, Department of Labor and former Deputy Director, OMB; Hertert Stein, former Chairman, Council of Economic Advisers; Robert Reischauer, former Director, CBO; and Stanford G. Ross, Chair, Social Security Advisory Board and former Commissioner, SSA and former Public Trustee, Social Security and Medicare Trust Funds.

House

No Committee meetings are scheduled.

Friday, December 18, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. It is next scheduled to meet on Wednesday, January 6, 1999 at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 1 resolution, H. Res. 613, was introduced. **Page 28023**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Filed on December 17, 1998, Summary of Legislative and Oversight Activities of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure for the 105th Congress (H. Rept. 105-831); and

Legislative and Oversight Activities of the Committee on Ways and Means During the 105th Congress (H. Rept. 105-832). **Page 28023**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative LaHood to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page 27825**

Question of Privilege: The Chair ruled that H. Res. 613, submitted by Representative Holmes Norton, did not constitute a question of the privileges of the House. **Page 27825**

Motion to Adjourn: The House rejected the Bonior motion to adjourn by a yea and nay vote of 183 yeas and 225 nays, Roll No. 540. **Page 27827**

Impeaching William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States: The House began consideration of H. Res. 611, Impeaching William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States, for high crimes and misdemeanors. Pursuant to the order of the House, consideration will resume on Saturday, December 19. **Page 27828**

Unanimous Consent Order: Agreed that during further consideration of House Resolution 611, the previous question shall be considered as ordered on the resolution to final adoption without intervening motion except: (1) debate on the resolution for a period not to exceed beyond 10:00 p.m. tonight, equally divided at the outset and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary; and one further hour of debate on Saturday, December 19, 1998, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary; (2) after such first period of debate, a motion to adjourn; and (3) one motion to recommit with or without instructions, which if including instructions, shall be debatable for 10 minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. During consideration of a resolution appointing and authorizing managers for the impeachment trial of William Jefferson Clinton, President

of the United States, the previous question shall be considered as ordered on the resolution to final adoption without intervening motion or demand for a division of the question except 10 minutes of debate on the resolution equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. When the House adjourns on Friday, December 18, 1998, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. on Saturday, December 19. **Page 27846**

Division of the Question: Agreed to a division of the question by Article of Impeachment contained in House Resolution 611. **Page 27847**

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea and nay vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appears on page 27827. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 10 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Saturday, December 19, 1998

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. It is next scheduled to meet on Wednesday, January 6, 1999 at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 1 resolution, H. Res. 614, was introduced. **Page 28117**

Reports Filed: No reports were filed today.

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative LaHood to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page 28034**

Journal: Agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by yea and nay vote of 277 yeas to 125 nays, Roll No. 541. **Page 28034**

Impeaching William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States: The House completed debate on H.

Res. 611, Impeaching William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States, for high crimes and misdemeanors, and adopted Articles I and III. **Page 28035**

Article I: By a yea and nay vote of 228 yeas to 206 nays, Roll No. 543, the House adopted Article I, of H. Res. 611: In his conduct while President of the United States, William Jefferson Clinton, in violation of his constitutional oath faithfully to execute the office of President of the United States and, to the best of his ability, preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States, and in violation of his constitutional duty to take care that the laws be faithfully executed, has willfully corrupted and manipulated the judicial process of the United States for his personal gain and exoneration, impeding the administration of justice, in that: On August 17, 1998, William Jefferson Clinton swore to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth before a Federal grand jury of the United States. Contrary to that oath, William Jefferson Clinton willfully provided perjurious, false and misleading testimony to the grand jury concerning one or more of the following: (1) the nature and details of his relationship with a subordinate Government employee; (2) prior perjurious, false and misleading testimony he gave in a Federal civil rights action brought against him; (3) prior false and misleading statements he allowed his attorney to make to a Federal judge in that civil rights action; and (4) his corrupt efforts to influence the testimony of witnesses and to impede the discovery of evidence in that civil rights action. In doing this, William Jefferson Clinton has undermined the integrity of his office, has brought disrepute on the Presidency, has betrayed his trust as President, and has acted in a manner subversive of the rule of law and justice, to the manifest injury of the people of the United States. Wherefore, William Jefferson Clinton, by such conduct, warrants impeachment and trial, and removal from office and disqualification to hold and enjoy any office of honor, trust, or profit under the United States. **Page 28110**

Article II: By a yea and nay vote of 205 yeas to 229 nays, Roll No. 544, the House failed to adopt Article II: In his conduct while President of the United States, William Jefferson Clinton, in violation of his constitutional oath faithfully to execute the office of President of the United States and, to the best of his ability, preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States, and in violation of his constitutional duty to take care that the laws be faithfully executed, has willfully corrupted and manipulated the judicial process of the United States for his personal gain and exoneration, impeding the administration of justice, in that: (1) On December 23, 1997, William Jefferson Clinton, in sworn answers to written questions asked as part of a Federal civil rights action brought against him, willfully provided perjurious, false and misleading testimony in response to questions

and proposed conduct with subordinate employees. (2) On January 17, 1998, William Jefferson Clinton swore under oath to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth in a deposition given as part of a Federal civil rights action brought against him. Contrary to that oath, William Jefferson Clinton willfully provided perjurious, false and misleading testimony in response to questions deemed relevant by a Federal judge concerning the nature and details of his relationship with a subordinate Government employee, his knowledge of that employee's involvement and participation in the civil rights action brought against him, and his corrupt efforts to influence the testimony of that employee. In all of this, William Jefferson Clinton has undermined the integrity of his office, has brought disrepute on the Presidency, has betrayed his trust as President, and has acted in a manner subversive of the rule of law and justice, to the manifest injury of the people of the United States. Wherefore, William Jefferson Clinton, by such conduct, warrants impeachment and trial, and removal from office and disqualification to hold and enjoy any office of honor, trust, or profit under the United States. **Page 28110**

Article III: By a yea and nay vote of 221 yeas to 212 nays, Roll No. 545, the House adopted Article III: In his conduct while President of the United States, William Jefferson Clinton, in violation of his constitutional oath faithfully to execute the office of President of the United States and, to the best of his ability, preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States, and in violation of his constitutional duty to take care that the laws be faithfully executed, has prevented, obstructed, and impeded the administration of justice, and has to that end engaged personally, and through his subordinates and agents, in a course of conduct or scheme designed to delay, impede, cover up, and conceal the existence of evidence and testimony related to a Federal civil rights action brought against him in a duly instituted judicial proceeding. The means used to implement this course of conduct or scheme included one or more of the following acts: (1) On or about December 17, 1997, William Jefferson Clinton corruptly encouraged a witness in a Federal civil rights action brought against him to execute a sworn affidavit in that proceeding that he knew to be perjurious, false and misleading. (2) On or about December 17, 1997, William Jefferson Clinton corruptly encouraged a witness in a Federal civil rights action brought against him to give perjurious, false and misleading testimony if and when called to testify personally in that proceeding. (3) On or about December 28, 1997, William Jefferson Clinton corruptly engaged in, encouraged, or supported a scheme to conceal evidence that had been subpoenaed in a Federal civil rights action brought against him. (4) Beginning on or about December 7, 1997, and continuing through and including January 14, 1998, William Jefferson Clinton intensified and succeeded in an effort to secure job assistance to a witness

in a Federal civil rights action brought against him in order to corruptly prevent the truthful testimony of that witness in that proceeding at a time when the truthful testimony of that witness would have been harmful to him. (5) On January 17, 1998, at his deposition in a Federal civil rights action brought against him, William Jefferson Clinton corruptly allowed his attorney to make false and misleading statements to a Federal judge characterizing an affidavit, in order to prevent questioning deemed relevant by the judge. Such false and misleading statements were subsequently acknowledged by his attorney in a communication to that judge. (6) On or about January 18 and January 20–21, 1998, William Jefferson Clinton related a false and misleading account of events relevant to a Federal civil rights action brought against him to a potential witness in that proceeding, in order to corruptly influence the testimony of that witness. (7) On or about January 21, 23 and 26, 1998, William Jefferson Clinton made false and misleading statements to potential witnesses in a Federal grand jury proceeding in order to corruptly influence the testimony of those witnesses. The false and misleading statements made by William Jefferson Clinton were repeated by the witnesses to the grand jury, causing the grand jury to receive false and misleading information. In all of this, William Jefferson Clinton has undermined the integrity of his office, has brought disrepute on the Presidency, has betrayed his trust as President, and has acted in a manner subversive of the rule of law and justice, to the manifest injury of the people of the United States. Wherefore, William Jefferson Clinton, by such conduct, warrants impeachment and trial, and removal from office and disqualification to hold and enjoy any office of honor, trust, or profit under the United States.

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Article IV: By a yea and nay vote of 148 ayes to 285 nays, Roll No. 546, the House failed to adopt Article IV: Using the powers and influence of the office of President of the United States, William Jefferson Clinton, in violation of his constitutional oath faithfully to execute the office of President of the United States and, to the best of his ability, preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States, and in disregard of his constitutional duty to take care that the laws be faithfully executed, has engaged in conduct that resulted in misuse and abuse of his high office, impaired the due and proper administration of justice and the conduct of lawful inquiries, and contravened the authority of the legislative branch and the truth seeking purpose of a coordinate investigative proceeding, in that, as President, William Jefferson Clinton refused and failed to respond to certain written requests for admission and willfully made perjurious, false and misleading sworn statements in response to certain written requests for admission propounded to him as part of the impeachment inquiry authorized by the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States. William Jefferson Clinton, in refusing and

failing to respond and in making perjurious, false and misleading statements, assumed to himself functions and judgments necessary to the exercise of the sole power of impeachment vested by the Constitution in the House of Representatives and exhibited contempt for the inquiry. In doing this, William Jefferson Clinton has undermined the integrity of his office, has brought disrepute on the President, has betrayed his trust as President, and has acted in a manner subversive of the rule of law and justice, to the manifest injury of the people of the United States. Wherefore, William Jefferson Clinton, by such conduct warrants impeachment and trial, and removal from office and disqualification to hold and enjoy any office of honor, trust, or profit under the United States.

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Earlier, Representative Solomon raised a point of order against the Boucher motion to recommit the resolution to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report it back forthwith to the House with an amendment to strike all after the resolving clause and insert the following: That it is the sense of the House that (1) on January 20, 1993, William Jefferson Clinton took the oath prescribed by the Constitution of the United States faithfully to execute the office of President; implicit in that oath is the obligation that the President set an example of high moral standards and conduct himself in a manner that fosters respect for the truth; and William Jefferson Clinton, has egregiously failed in this obligation, and through his actions violated the trust of the American people, lessened their esteem for the office of President, and dishonored the office which they have entrusted to him; (2)(A) William Jefferson Clinton made false statements concerning his reprehensible conduct with a subordinate; (B) William Jefferson Clinton wrongly took steps to delay discovery of the truth; and (C) inasmuch as no person is above the law, William Jefferson Clinton remains subject to criminal and civil penalties; and (3) William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States, by his conduct has brought upon himself, and fully deserves, the censure and condemnation of the American people and this House.

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Representative Solomon stated that the motion to recommit with instructions was not germane to H. Res. 611. The Chair sustained the point of order. Representative Gephardt appealed the ruling of the Chair. Subsequently, the House agreed to the Arney motion to table the appeal by a yea and nay vote of 230 yeas to 204 nays, Roll No. 542.

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Managers for the Impeachment Trial of William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States: By a yea and nay vote of 228 yeas to 190 nays, Roll No. 547, the House agreed to H. Res. 614, appointing and authorizing managers for the impeachment trial of William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Seven yea and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on page 28034, 28108, 28110, 28111, 28112, and 28113. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9:00 a.m. and in accordance with H. Con. Res. 353 adjourned sine die at 2:36 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH CONGRESS

This table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House from January 3, 1997 through October 21, 1998.

FIRST SESSION

January 3 through November 13, 1997

	<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Days in session	153	132	..
Time in session	1,093 hrs., 07'	1,003 hrs., 42'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	12,724	10,963	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	2,425	..
Public bills enacted into law	49	104	153
Private bills enacted into law	1	3	4
Bills in conference .....	..	2	..
Measures passed, total	385	544	929
Senate bills	121	50	..
House bills	101	243	..
Senate joint resolutions	5	3	..
House joint resolutions	17	19	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	30	13	..
House concurrent resolutions	19	46	..
Simple resolutions	93	170	..
Measures reported, total	*248	*374	622
Senate bills	159	4	..
House bills	32	244	..
Senate joint resolutions	2	1	..
House joint resolutions	2	11	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	13	..	..
House concurrent resolutions	2	9	..
Simple resolutions	38	105	..
Special reports	22	13	..
Conference reports .....	..	20	..
Measures pending on calendar	111	40	..
Measures introduced, total	1,840	3,728	5,568
Bills	1,568	3,088	..
Joint resolutions	39	106	..
Concurrent resolutions	70	200	..
Simple resolutions	163	334	..
Quorum calls	6	7	..
Yea-and-nay votes	298	285	..
Recorded votes .....	..	348	..
Bills vetoed .....	..	3	..
Veto overridden .....	..	..	..

SECOND SESSION

January 27 through October 21, 1998

	<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Days in session	143	119	..
Time in session	1,095 hrs., 05'	997 hrs., 42'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	13,004	12,048	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	2,367	..
Public bills enacted into law	91	150	241
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	6	6
Bills in conference .....	..	5	..
Measures passed, total	506	642	1,148
Senate bills	171	92	..
House bills	157	287	..
Senate joint resolutions	4	4	..
House joint resolutions	10	12	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	30	11	..
House concurrent resolutions	25	52	..
Simple resolutions	109	184	..
Measures reported, total	*363	*378	741
Senate bills	245	6	..
House bills	79	241	..
Senate joint resolutions	7	..	..
House joint resolutions	1	4	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	9	..	..
House concurrent resolutions	1	9	..
Simple resolutions	21	118	..
Special reports	19	40	..
Conference reports .....	..	26	..
Measures pending on calendar	246	87	..
Measures introduced, total	1,321	2,254	3,575
Bills	1,090	1,786	..
Joint resolutions	21	34	..
Concurrent resolutions	60	154	..
Simple resolutions	150	280	..
Quorum calls	4	14	..
Yea-and-nay votes	314	257	..
Recorded votes .....	..	276	..
Bills vetoed .....	..	4	..
Veto overridden .....	..	2	..

*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 158 reports have been filed in the Senate, a total of 407 reports have been filed in the House.

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DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

FIRST SESSION

Civilian nominations (other than lists), totaling 98, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed	361
Unconfirmed	124
Withdrawn	13

Civilian nominations (FS, PHS, CG, NOAA), totaling 3,105, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed	3,019
Unconfirmed	86

Air Force nominations, totaling 8,141, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed	8,120
Unconfirmed	21

Army nominations, totaling 6,244, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed	6,244
Unconfirmed	2

Navy nominations, totaling 6,157, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed	6,153
Unconfirmed	4

Marine Corps nominations, totaling 1,679, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed	1,679
Unconfirmed	0

Summary

Total nominations received	25,828
Total confirmed	25,576
Total unconfirmed	237
Total withdrawn	13
Total returned to the White House	2

SECOND SESSION

Civilian nominations, totaling 460 (including 124 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:

Confirmed	319
Withdrawn	24
Returned to White House	114

Civilian nominations (FS, PHS, CG, NOAA), totaling 1,532 (including 86 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:

Confirmed	1,526
Returned to White House	6

Air Force nominations, totaling 6,091 (including 21 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:

Confirmed	6,087
Returned to White House	4

Army nominations, totaling 5,481 (including 2 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:

Confirmed	5,478
Returned to White House	3

Navy nominations, totaling 5,051 (including 4 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:

Confirmed	5,045
Returned to White House	6

Marine Corps nominations, totaling 1,847, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed	1,847
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Summary

Total nominations carried over from the First Session	237
Total nominations received this session	20,225
Total Confirmed	20,302
Total Withdrawn	27
Total Returned to White House	133

BILLS ENACTED INTO PUBLIC LAW (105TH, 2D SESSION)

Law No.	Law No.	Law No.	Law No.	Law No.	Law No.
S. 53 105-297	S. 1754 105-392	H.R. 595 105-163	H.R. 2327 105-334	H.R. 3830 105-335	
S. 191 105-386	S. 1759 105-231	H.R. 624 105-287	H.R. 2370 105-291	H.R. 3874 105-336	
S. 231 105-325	S. 1800 105-232	H.R. 629 105-236	H.R. 2400 105-178	H.R. 3903 105-317	
S. 314 105-270	S. 1883 105-239	H.R. 633 105-382	H.R. 2411 105-280	H.R. 3910 105-355	
S. 318 105-216	S. 1892 105-300	H.R. 643 105-218	H.R. 2431 105-292	H.R. 4059 105-237	
S. 347 105-165	S. 1900 105-186	H.R. 651 105-189	H.R. 2472 105-177	H.R. 4060 105-245	
S. 391 105-387	S. 1976 105-301	H.R. 652 105-190	H.R. 2616 105-278	H.R. 4068 105-256	
S. 414 105-258	S. 2022 105-251	H.R. 678 105-331	H.R. 2631 105-159	H.R. 4079 105-295	
S. 417 105-388	S. 2069 105-188	H.R. 700 105-308	H.R. 2675 105-311	H.R. 4081 105-283	
S. 419 105-168	S. 2071 105-252	H.R. 765 105-229	H.R. 2676 105-206	H.R. 4083 105-373	
S. 423 105-182	S. 2094 105-328	H.R. 824 105-179	H.R. 2795 105-293	H.R. 4103 105-262	
S. 459 105-361	S. 2106 105-329	H.R. 848 105-191	H.R. 2807 105-312	H.R. 4110 105-368	
S. 493 105-172	S. 2112 105-241	H.R. 872 105-230	H.R. 2841 105-213	H.R. 4112 105-275	
S. 505 105-298	S. 2129 105-380	H.R. 930 105-264	H.R. 2843 105-170	H.R. 4151 105-318	
S. 538 105-351	S. 2143 105-233	H.R. 960 105-195	H.R. 2864 105-197	H.R. 4164 105-374	
S. 731 105-202	S. 2193 105-330	H.R. 1021 105-288	H.R. 2870 105-214	H.R. 4166 105-296	
S. 744 105-352	S. 2206 105-285	H.R. 1023 105-369	H.R. 2877 105-198	H.R. 4194 105-276	
S. 750 105-167	S. 2232 105-356	H.R. 1085 105-225	H.R. 2886 105-281	H.R. 4237 105-227	
S. 758 105-166	S. 2235 105-302	H.R. 1116 105-169	H.R. 3007 105-255	H.R. 4248 105-269	
S. 759 105-375	S. 2240 105-342	H.R. 1151 105-219	H.R. 3035 105-199	H.R. 4259 105-337	
S. 890 105-326	S. 2241 105-364	H.R. 1184 105-192	H.R. 3042 105-156	H.R. 4283 105-385	
S. 916 105-161	S. 2246 105-343	H.R. 1197 105-289	H.R. 3055 105-313	H.R. 4284 105-284	
S. 927 105-160	S. 2272 105-365	H.R. 1217 105-193	H.R. 3069 105-294	H.R. 4293 105-319	
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S. 1021 105-339	S. 2285 105-341	H.R. 1273 105-207	H.R. 3116 105-164	H.R. 4326 105-321	
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S. 1178 105-173	S. 2375 105-366	H.R. 1439 105-208	H.R. 3226 105-171	H.R. 4382 105-248	
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S. 1260 105-353	S. 2413 105-344	H.R. 1481 105-265	H.R. 3301 105-176	H.R. 4558 105-306	
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S. 1333 105-327	S. 2432 105-394	H.R. 1659 105-279	H.R. 3381 105-267	H.R. 4655 105-338	
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S. 1364 105-362	S. 2505 105-346	H.R. 1779 105-210	H.R. 3504 105-226	H.R. 4679 105-324	
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S. 1502, entitled the "District of Columbia Student Opportunity Scholarship Act of 1997". Vetoed May 20, 1998.

H.R. 2709, to impose certain sanctions on foreign persons who transfer items contributing to Iran's efforts to acquire, develop, or produce ballistic missiles. Vetoed June 23, 1998.

H.R. 2646, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow tax-free expenditures from education individual retirement accounts for elementary and secondary school expenses, to increase the maximum annual amount of contributions to such accounts, and for other purposes. Vetoed July 21, 1998.

H.R. 4101, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and for other purposes. Vetoed Oct. 7, 1998.

H.R. 1757, to consolidate international affairs agencies, to authorize appropriations for the Department of State and related agencies for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, and for other purposes. Vetoed Oct. 21, 1998.



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To rename the Washington National Airport located in the District of Columbia and Virginia as the "Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport".	S. 1575 (H.R. 2625)	Jan. 27 1998	TI		Jan. 29 1998	408	899	689	Feb. 5 1998	Feb. 4 1998	Feb. 6, 1998	154
To authorize the Federal Aviation Administration's research, engineering, and development programs for fiscal years 1998 through 2000, and for other purposes.	H.R. 1271	April 10 1997	Sci	CST	April 21 1997	Nov. 9 1997	61	152	6676	26425	April 29 1997	Nov. 13 1997	Feb. 11, 1998	155
To amend the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental and Native American Public Policy Act of 1992 to establish the United States Institute for Environmental Conflict Resolution to conduct environmental conflict resolution and training, and for other purposes.	H.R. 3042	Nov. 13 1997	EEO Res		.....	.....	.....	.....	26564	414	Nov. 13 1997	Jan. 29 1998	Feb. 11, 1998	156
To authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel PRINCE NOVA, and for other purposes.	S. 1349	Oct. 30 1997		CST	.....	.....	.....	.....		26246	Feb. 3 1998	Nov. 13 1997	Feb. 11, 1998	157
To provide redress for inadequate restitution of assets seized by the United States Government during World War II which belonged to victims of the Holocaust, and for other purposes.	S. 1564	Nov. 13 1997	IR		.....	.....	.....	.....	81	26438	Jan. 27 1998	Nov. 13 1997	Feb. 13, 1998	158
Disapproving the cancellations transmitted by the President on October 6, 1997, regarding Public Law 105-45.	H.R. 2631 (S. 1292)	Oct. 7 1997	App	App	Oct. 23 1997	.....	.....	.....	25268	25696	Nov. 8 1997	Nov. 9 1997	Nov. 13, 1997	159
To reauthorize the Sea Grant Program	S. 927	June 17 1997		CST	.....	Nov. 8 1997	.....	150	1243	26246	Feb. 11 1998	Nov. 13 1997	Mar. 6, 1998	160
To designate the United States Post Office building located at 750 Highway 28 East in Taylorsville, Mississippi, as the "Blaine H. Eaton Post Office Building".	S. 916	June 17 1997	GRO	GA	.....	.....	.....	.....	1710	22110	Feb. 24 1998	Oct. 9 1997	Mar. 9, 1998	161
To designate the post office located at 194 Ward Street in Patterson, New Jersey, as the "Larry Doby Post Office".	S. 985	June 27 1997	GRO	GA	.....	.....	.....	.....	1715	22110	Feb. 24 1998	Oct. 9 1997	Mar. 9, 1998	162
To designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 475 Mulberry Street in Macon, Georgia, as the "William Augustus Bootle Federal Building and United States Courthouse".	H.R. 595	Feb. 5 1997	TI		July 31 1997	.....	233	.....	26565	2842	Nov. 13 1997	Mar. 6 1998	Mar. 20, 1998	163
To address the Year 2000 computer problems with regard to financial institutions, to extend examination parity to the Director of the Office of Thrift Supervision and the National Credit Union Administration, and for other purposes.	H.R. 3116	Jan. 28 1998	BFS		Feb. 24 1998	.....	417	.....	1700	2843	Feb. 24 1998	Mar. 6 1998	Mar. 20, 1998	164
To designate the Federal building located at 61 Forsyth Street SW., in Atlanta, Georgia, as the "Sam Nunn Atlanta Federal Center".	S. 347 (H.R. 613)	Feb. 24 1997	TI	EPW	July 31 1997	June 5 1997	232	.....	2340	10803	Mar. 3 1998	June 12 1997	Mar. 20, 1998	165
To make certain technical corrections to the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995.	S. 758	May 16 1997	Jud	GA	Nov. 8 1997	.....	.....	147	3909	26423	Mar. 18 1998	Nov. 13 1997	April 6, 1998	166

To consolidate certain mineral interests in the National Grasslands in Billings County, North Dakota, through the exchange of Federal and private mineral interests to enhance land management capabilities and environmental and wildlife protection, and for other purposes.	S.	750	May 15 1997	Res	ENR		Sept. 30 1997	.....	92	5129	21197	Mar. 30 1998	Oct. 6 1997	April 13, 1998	167
To provide surveillance, research, and services aimed at prevention of birth defects, and for other purposes.	S.	419	Mar. 11 1997	Com	LHR			.....	.....	3051	10745	Mar. 10 1998	June 12 1997	April 21, 1998	168
To provide for the conveyance of the reversionary interest of the United States in certain lands to the Clint Independent School District and the Fabens Independent School District.	H.R.	1116	Mar. 18 1997	IR	FR		Mar. 3 1998	.....	.....	20610	5551	Sept. 29 1997	April 1 1998	April 24, 1998	169
To direct the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to reevaluate the equipment in medical kits carried on, and to make a decision regarding requiring automatic external defibrillators to be carried on, aircraft operated by air carriers, and for other purposes.	H.R.	2843	Nov. 6 1997	TI	CST	Mar. 20 1998		456	.....	4466	6037	Mar. 24 1998	April 3 1998	April 24, 1998	170
To authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain lands and improvements in the State of Virginia, and for other purposes.	H.R.	3226	Feb. 12 1998	Agr				.....	.....	4462	6035	Mar. 24 1998	April 3 1998	April 24, 1998	171
To amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to scanning receivers and similar devices.	S. (H.R. 2460)	493	Mar. 20 1997	Jud	Jud	Feb. 24 1998	Sept. 18 1997	418	.....	1967	25970	Feb. 26 1998	Nov. 10 1997	April 24, 1998	172
To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to modify and extend the visa waiver pilot program, and to provide for the collection of data with respect to the number of nonimmigrants who remain in the United States after the expiration of the period of stay authorized by the Attorney General.	S. (H.R. 2578)	1178	Sept. 15 1997	Jud		Nov. 7 1997		387	.....	4669	20429	Mar. 25 1998	Sept. 26 1997	April 27, 1998	173
Making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and for other purposes.	H.R. (S. 1768)	3579	Mar. 27 1998	App		Mar. 27 1998		469	.....	168	5257	Mar. 31 1998	Mar. 31 1998	May 1, 1998	174
Expressing the sense of the Congress on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the founding of the modern State of Israel and reaffirming the bonds of friendship and co-operation between the United States and Israel.	H.J. Res.	102	Nov. 7 1997	IR					.....	.....	6962	April 28 1998	April 29 1998	May 11, 1998	175
To amend chapter 51 of title 31, United States Code, to allow the Secretary of the Treasury greater discretion with regard to the placement of the required inscriptions on quarter dollars issued under the 50 States Commemorative Coin Program.	H.R.	3301	Mar. 2 1998	BFS					.....	.....	5040	Mar. 27 1998	May 19 1998	May 29, 1998	176
To extend certain programs under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act.	H.R.	2472	Sept. 15 1997	Com		Sept. 26 1997		275	.....	20663	20782	Sept. 29 1997	Sept. 30 1997	June 1, 1998	177
To authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes.	H.R. (S. 1115)	2400	Sept. 4 1997	TI Bud WM	CST	Mar. 25 1998	Nov. 7 1997	467	.....	143	5735	April 1 1998	April 2 1998	June 9, 1998	178
To redesignate the Federal building located at 717 Madison Place, NW., in the District of Columbia, as the "Howard T. Markey National Courts Building".	H.R.	824	Feb. 25 1997	TI	EPW	Mar. 27 1998 July 28 1997	May 21 1998	211	.....	19804	10821	Sept. 23 1997	June 2 1998	June 16, 1998	179
To amend Part L of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968.	H.R.	3565	Mar. 26 1998	Jud		April 21 1998		486	6197	9399	April 21 1998	May 15 1998	June 16, 1998	180

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To establish a matching grant program to help State and local jurisdictions purchase armor vests for use by law enforcement departments.	S. 1605 (H.R. 2829)	Feb. 4 1998	Jud	Jud		Feb. 26 1998	8852	3260	May 12 1998	Mar. 11 1998	June 16, 1998	181
To extend the legislative authority for the Board of Regents of Gunston Hall to establish a memorial to honor George Mason.	S. 423	Mar. 11 1997	Res	ENR	Oct. 31 1997	June 26 1997	363	38	11628	14226	June 9 1998	July 11 1997	June 19, 1998	182
To amend title 11, United States Code, to protect certain charitable contributions, and for other purposes.	S. 1244 (H.R. 2604)	Oct. 1 1997	Jud	Jud	June 3 1998	Feb. 26 1998	556	.....	10851	8944	June 3 1998	May 13 1998	June 19, 1998	183
To improve the criminal law relating to fraud against consumers.	H.R. 1847	June 10 1997	Jud	Jud	June 26 1997	Oct. 9 1997	158	.....	13584	25709	July 8 1997	Nov. 9 1997	June 23, 1998	184
To ensure that federally funded agricultural research, extension, and education address high-priority concerns with national or multistate significance, to reform, extend, and eliminate certain agricultural research programs, and for other purposes.	S. 1150 (H.R. 2534)	Sept. 5 1997	Agr	Agr	Nov. 4 1997	Sept. 5 1997	376	73		23654	June 23, 1998	Oct. 29 1997		185
To establish a commission to examine issues pertaining to the disposition of Holocaust-era assets in the United States before, during, and after World War II, and to make recommendations to the President on further action, and for other purposes.	S. 1900 (H.R. 3662)	April 1 1998	BFS	BHUA		April 30 1998	.....	.....	11634	7806	June 9 1998	May 1 1998	June 23, 1998	186
To establish felony violations for the failure to pay legal child support obligations, and for other purposes.	H.R. 3811	May 7 1998	Jud			.....	.....	.....	8851	11303	May 12 1998	June 5 1998	June 24, 1998	187
To permit the mineral leasing of Indian land located within the Fort Berthold Indian reservation in any case in which there is consent from a majority interest in the parcel of land under consideration for lease.	S. 2069	May 12 1998		IA	.....	June 5 1998	.....	205		11844	June 24 1998	June 10 1998	July 7, 1998	188
To extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act for the construction of a hydroelectric project located in the State of Washington, and for other purposes.	H.R. 651	Feb. 6 1997	Com	ENR	Mar. 11 1997	Nov. 4 1997	12	133	3486		Mar. 11 1997	June 25 1998	July 14, 1998	189
To extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act for the construction of a hydroelectric project located in the State of Washington, and for other purposes.	H.R. 652	Feb. 6 1997	Com	ENR	Mar. 11 1997	Nov. 4 1997	13	134	3487		Mar. 11 1997	June 25 1998	July 14, 1998	190
To extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of the AuSable Hydroelectric Project in New York, and for other purposes.	H.R. 848	Feb. 26 1997	Com	ENR	June 7 1997	Nov. 4 1997	122	135	10459		June 10 1997	June 25 1998	July 14, 1998	191
To extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act for the construction of the Bear Creek hydroelectric project in the State of Washington, and for other purposes.	H.R. 1184	Mar. 20 1997	Com	ENR	June 7 1997	Nov. 4 1997	123	136	10460		June 10 1997	June 25 1998	July 14, 1998	192
To extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act for the construction of a hydroelectric project located in the State of Washington, and for other purposes.	H.R. 1217	Mar. 21 1997	Com	ENR	June 7 1997	Nov. 4 1997	124	137	10461		June 10 1997	June 25 1998	July 14, 1998	193
To amend the Arms Export Control Act, and for other purposes.	S. 2282	July 9 1998			.....	.....	.....	.....			July 14 1998	July 9 1998	July 14, 1998	194
To validate certain conveyances in the City of Tulare, Tulare County, California, and for other purposes.	H.R. 960	Mar. 5 1997	Res	ENR	July 8 1997	Oct. 31 1997	171	127	13569		July 8 1997	June 25 1998	July 16, 1998	195

To amend the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend the bone marrow donor program, and for other purposes.	H.R.	2202	July 17 1997	Com	LHR	May 18 1998		538	.....	9707		May 19 1998	June 24 1998	July 16, 1998	196
To require the Secretary of Labor to establish a program under which employers may consult with State officials respecting compliance with occupational safety and health requirements.	H.R.	2864	Nov. 7 1997	EEO		Mar. 17 1998	.....	444	.....	3805		Mar. 17 1998	June 24 1998	July 16, 1998	197
To amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970.	H.R.	2877	Nov. 7 1997	EEO		Mar. 17 1998	.....	445	.....	3806		Mar. 17 1998	June 24 1998	July 16, 1998	198
To establish an advisory commission to provide advice and recommendations on the creation of an integrated, coordinated Federal policy designed to prepare for and respond to serious drought emergencies.	H.R.	3035	Nov. 12 1997	TI Agr Res		May 22 1998	.....	554	.....			June 16 1998	June 24 1998	July 16, 1998	199
To provide for an alternative penalty procedure for States that fail to meet Federal child support data processing requirements, to reform Federal incentive payments for effective child support performance, and to provide for a more flexible penalty procedure for States that violate interjurisdictional adoption requirements.	H.R.	3130	Jan. 28 1998	WM	Fin	Feb. 27 1998		422	.....	2617	5951	Mar. 5 1998	April 2 1998	July 16, 1998	200
Approving the location of a Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial in the Nation's Capitol.	H.J. Res.	113	Mar. 4 1998	Res		June 22 1998	.....	589	.....			June 22 1998	June 25 1998	July 16, 1998	201
To extend the legislative authority for construction of the National Peace Garden memorial, and for other purposes.	S.	731	May 8 1997	Res	ENR	Oct. 31 1997	June 26 1997	362	40	26483	14227	Nov. 13 1997	July 11 1997	July 16, 1998	202
To establish within the United States National Park Service the National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom program, and for other purposes.	H.R.	1635	May 15 1997	Res	ENR	June 3 1998		559	.....	11656		June 9 1998	June 25 1998	July 21, 1998	203
To require the Secretary of Energy to submit to Congress a plan to ensure that all amounts accrued on the books of the United States Enrichment Corporation for the disposition of depleted uranium hexafluoride will be used to treat and recycle depleted uranium hexafluoride.	S.	2316	July 15 1998			.....	.....	.....	.....			July 20 1998	July 16 1998	July 21, 1998	204
To amend chapter 87 of title 5, United States Code, with respect to the order of precedence to be applied in the payment of life insurance benefits.	H.R.	1316	April 14 1997	GRO	GA	June 18 1997	Nov. 6 1997	134	.....	11902		June 24 1997	June 18 1998	July 22, 1998	205
To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service, and for other purposes.	H.R.	2676	Oct. 21 1997	WM GRO R	Fin	Oct. 31 1997	April 22 1998	364	174	24596	8538	Nov. 5 1997	May 7 1998	July 22, 1998	206
To authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for the National Science Foundation, and for other purposes.	H.R. (S. 1046)	1273	April 10 1997	Sci	LHR	April 21 1997	Oct. 15 1997	63	110	6259	8721	April 24 1997	May 12 1998	July 29, 1998	207
To facilitate the sale of certain land in Tahoe National Forest, in the State of California to Placer County, California.	H.R.	1439	April 24 1997	Res	ENR	June 3 1997	June 26 1998	114	231	9807		June 3 1997	July 17 1998	July 29, 1998	208
To allow for election of the Delegate from Guam by other than separate ballot, and for other purposes.	H.R.	1460	April 24 1997	Res	ENR	Sept. 18 1997	June 5 1998	253	203	19740		Sept. 23 1997	July 17 1998	July 29, 1998	209
To make a minor adjustment in the exterior boundary of the Devils Backbone Wilderness in the Mark Twain National Forest, Missouri, to exclude a small parcel of land containing improvements.	H.R.	1779	June 4 1997	Agr Res	ENR	Oct. 2 1997	June 26 1998	295	232	22312		Oct. 21 1997	July 17 1998	July 29, 1998	210
To extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of FERC Project Number 3862 in the State of Iowa, and for other purposes.	H.R.	2165	July 15 1997	Com	ENR	Sept. 26 1997	July 2 1998	273	237	26565		Nov. 13 1997	July 17 1998	July 29, 1998	211

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To extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of FERC Project Number 9248 in the State of Colorado, and for other purposes.	H.R. 2217	July 22 1997	Com	ENR	May 6 1998	July 2 1998	509	238	8819		May 12 1998	July 17 1998	July 29, 1998	212
To extend the time required for the construction of a hydroelectric project.	H.R. 2841	Nov. 6 1997	Com	ENR	May 6 1998	July 2 1998	510	239	8820		May 12 1998	July 17 1998	July 29, 1998	213
To amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to facilitate protection of tropical forests through debt reduction with developing countries with tropical forests.	H.R. 2870 (S. 1758)	Nov. 7 1997	IR	FR	Mar. 13 1998	June 22 1998	443	219	4081		Mar. 19 1998	July 14 1998	July 29, 1998	214
To present a congressional gold medal to Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela.	H.R. 3156	Feb. 4 1998	BFS								June 16 1998	July 14 1998	July 29, 1998	215
To require automatic cancellation and notice of cancellation rights with respect to private mortgage insurance which is required as a condition for entering into a residential mortgage transaction, to abolish the Thrift Depositor Protection Oversight Board, and for other purposes.	S. 318	Feb. 12 1997		BHUA		Oct. 31 1997		129		25695	July 14 1998	Nov. 9 1997	July 29, 1998	216
To reauthorize the African Elephant Conservation Act.	H.R. 39 (S. 627)	Jan. 7 1997	Res	EPW	April 21 1997	June 25 1998	59	222	6166		April 23 1997	July 23 1998	Aug. 5, 1998	217
To designate the United States courthouse to be constructed at the corner of Superior and Huron Roads, in Cleveland, Ohio, as the "Carl B. Stokes United States Courthouse".	H.R. 643	Feb. 6 1997	TI	EPW	July 31 1997	July 22 1998	231		19803		Sept. 23 1997	July 31 1998	Aug. 7, 1998	218
To amend the Federal Credit Union Act to clarify existing law and ratify the long-standing policy of the National Credit Union Administration Board with regard to field of membership of Federal credit unions.	H.R. 1151	Mar. 20 1997	BFS	BHUA	Mar. 30 1998	May 21 1998	472	193	5584		April 1 1998	July 28 1998	Aug. 7, 1998	219
To consolidate, coordinate, and improve employment, training, literacy, and vocational rehabilitation programs in the United States, and for other purposes.	H.R. 1385 (S. 1186)	April 17 1997	EEO	LHR	May 8 1997	Oct. 15 1997	93	109	8662	7966	May 16 1997	May 5 1998	Aug. 7, 1998	220
To provide that certain volunteers at private non-profit food banks are not employees for purposes of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938.	H.R. 3152	Feb. 4 1998	EEO	LHR							June 25 1998	July 29 1998	Aug. 7, 1998	221
To designate the auditorium located within the Sandia Technology Transfer Center in Albuquerque, New Mexico, as the "Steve Schiff Auditorium".	H.R. 3731	April 23 1998	NS								July 16 1998	July 30 1998	Aug. 7, 1998	222
To establish the United States Capitol Police Memorial Fund on behalf of the families of Detective John Michael Gibson and Private First Class Jacob Joseph Chestnut of the United States Capitol Police.	H.R. 4354	July 30 1998	HO WM								July 31 1998	July 31 1998	Aug. 7, 1998	223
To provide for the conveyance of small parcels of land in the Carson National Forest and the Santa Fe National Forest, New Mexico, to the village of El Rito and the town of Jemez Springs, New Mexico.	H.R. 434	Jan. 9 1997	Res	ENR	Oct. 30 1997	July 2 1998	359	236	24427		Nov. 4 1997	July 17 1998	Aug. 12, 1998	224

To revise, codify, and enact without substantive change certain general and permanent laws, related to patriotic and national observances, ceremonies, and organizations, as title 36, United States Code, "Patriotic and National Observances, Ceremonies, and Organizations".	H.R.	1085	Mar. 17 1997	Jud	Jud	Oct. 21 1997	July 16 1998	326	.....	600		Feb. 3 1998	July 30 1998	Aug. 12, 1998	225
To amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize appropriations for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and to further define the criteria for capital repair and operation and maintenance.	H.R. (S. 2038)	3504	Mar. 19 1998	TI	EPW	May 13 1998	July 22 1998	533	215	10838		June 3 1998	July 31 1998	Aug. 12, 1998	226
To amend the District of Columbia Convention Center and Sports Arena Authorization Act of 1995 to revise the revenues and activities covered under such Act, and for other purposes.	H.R.	4237	July 16 1998	GRO R								July 30 1998	July 31 1998	Aug. 12, 1998	227
To amend the Agricultural Market Transition Act to provide for the advance payment, in full, of the fiscal year 1999 payments otherwise required under production flexibility contracts.	S.	2344	July 22 1998		Agr							Aug. 3 1998	July 30 1998	Aug. 12, 1998	228
To ensure maintenance of a herd of wild horses in Cape Lookout National Seashore.	H.R.	765	Feb. 13 1997	Res	ENR	July 14 1997	Oct. 28 1997	179	115	15241		July 22 1997	July 17 1998	Aug. 13, 1998	229
To establish rules governing product liability actions against raw materials and bulk component suppliers to medical device manufacturers, and for other purposes.	H.R.	872	Feb. 27 1997	Jud Com		May 22 1998 July 14 1998		549				July 30 1998	July 30 1998	Aug. 13, 1998	230
To grant a Federal charter to the American GI Forum of the United States.	S.	1759	Mar. 13 1998		Jud							Aug. 3 1998	July 31 1998	Aug. 13, 1998	231
To designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 85 Marconi Boulevard in Columbus, Ohio, as the "Joseph P. Kinneary United States Courthouse".	S.	1800	Mar. 19 1998	TI	EPW	July 14 1998	May 21 1998	619			10820	Aug. 4 1998	June 2 1998	Aug. 13, 1998	232
To amend chapter 45 of title 28, United States Code, to authorize the Administrative Assistant to the Chief Justice to accept voluntary services, and for other purposes.	S.	2143	June 9 1998		Jud		July 9 1998					Aug. 3 1998	July 16 1998	Aug. 13, 1998	233
Amending the Fastener Quality Act to exempt from its coverage certain fasteners approved by the Federal Aviation Administration for use in aircraft.	H.R.	3824	May 11 1998	Sci Com	CST	June 9 1998	July 27 1998	574	267			June 16 1998	July 31 1998	Aug. 14, 1998	234
Finding the Government of Iraq in unacceptable and material breach of its international obligations.	S.J. Res.	54	June 25 1998		FR		July 27 1998					Aug. 3 1998	July 31 1998	Aug. 14, 1998	235
To grant the consent of the Congress to the Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact.	H.R.	629	Feb. 6 1997	Com		July 15 1997		181		21479	5548	Oct. 7 1997	April 1 1998	Sept. 20, 1998	236
Making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and for other purposes.	H.R. (S. 2160)	4059	June 16 1998	App		June 16 1998		578	213			June 22 1998	June 25 1998	Sept. 20, 1998	237
To transfer administrative jurisdiction over part of the Lake Chelan National Recreation Area from the Secretary of the Interior to the Secretary of Agriculture for inclusion in the Wenatchee National Forest.	S.	1683	Feb. 26 1998		ENR		June 10 1998		228			Sept. 9 1998	July 17 1998	Sept. 23, 1998	238
To direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Marion National Fish Hatchery and the Claude Harris National Aquacultural Research Center to the State of Alabama, and for other purposes.	S.	1883	Mar. 31 1998	Res	EPW		July 24 1998		263			Sept. 9 1998	July 31 1998	Sept. 23, 1998	239

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Making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1999, and for other purposes.	H.J. Res. 128	Sept. 16 1998	App								Sept. 17 1998	Sept. 17 1998	Sept. 25, 1998	240
To make the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 applicable to the United States Postal Service in the same manner as any other employer.	S. 2112	May 22 1998		LHR		July 28 1998					Sept. 14 1998	July 31 1998	Sept. 28, 1998	241
To amend the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a volunteer pilot project at one national wildlife refuge in each United States Fish and Wildlife Service region, and for other purposes.	H.R. 1856	June 10 1997	Res	EPW	Oct. 21 1997	July 28 1998	329		24428		Nov. 4 1997	Sept. 11 1998	Oct. 5, 1998	242
To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site in the State of Colorado as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes.	S. 1695	Mar. 2 1998	Res	ENR	Sept. 9 1998	July 10 1998	697	244			Sept. 18 1998	July 17 1998	Oct. 6, 1998	243
To extend the authorization of programs under the Higher Education Act of 1965, and for other purposes.	H.R. 6 (S. 1882)	Jan. 7 1997	EEO	LHR	April 17 1998	May 4 1998	481	181	8354		May 6 1998	July 9 1998	Oct. 7, 1998	244
Making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and for other purposes.	H.R. 4060 (S. 2138)	June 16 1998	App		June 16 1998		581	206			June 22 1998	June 23 1998	Oct. 7, 1998	245
To amend section 552 of title 5, United States Code, and the National Security Act of 1947 to require disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act regarding certain persons, disclose Nazi war criminal records without impairing any investigation or prosecution conducted by the Department of Justice or certain intelligence matters, and for other purposes.	S. 1379	Nov. 5 1997		Jud		Mar. 5 1998					Aug. 6 1998	June 19 1998	Oct. 8, 1998	246
To correct a provision relating to termination of benefits for convicted persons.	H.R. 3096	Jan. 27 1998	EEO	GA	Mar. 17 1998	Aug. 25 1998	446	296	4470		Mar. 24 1998	Sept. 28 1998	Oct. 9, 1998	247
To amend the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend the program for mammography quality standards.	H.R. 4382	Aug. 3 1998	Com		Sept. 14 1998		713				Sept. 15 1998	Sept. 25 1998	Oct. 9, 1998	248
Making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1999, and for other purposes.	H.J. Res. 133	Oct. 9 1998	App								Oct. 9 1998	Oct. 9 1998	Oct. 9, 1998	249
To designate the United States courthouse located at 141 Church Street in New Haven, Connecticut, as the "Richard C. Lee United States Courthouse".	S. 1355	Oct. 31 1997		EPW		May 21 1998				10820	Sept. 23 1998	June 2 1998	Oct. 9, 1998	250
To provide for the improvement of interstate criminal justice identification, information, communications, and forensics.	S. 2022	April 30 1998	Jud	Jud		May 21 1998					Oct. 7 1998	July 13 1998	Oct. 9, 1998	251
To extend a quarterly financial report program administered by the Secretary of Commerce.	S. 2071	May 13 1998	GRO	GA		July 8 1998		241			Sept. 28 1998	Sept. 10 1998	Oct. 9, 1998	252
Waiving certain enrollment requirements for the remainder of the One Hundred Fifth Congress with respect to any bill or joint resolution making general or continuing appropriations for fiscal year 1999.	H.J. Res. 131	Oct. 7 1998	HO								Oct. 8 1998	Oct. 9 1998	Oct. 12, 1998	253
Making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1999, and for other purposes.	H.J. Res. 134	Oct. 12 1998	App								Oct. 12 1998	Oct. 12 1998	Oct. 12, 1998	254

To establish the Commission on the Advancement of Women in Science, Engineering, and Technology Development.	H.R.	3007	Nov. 9 1997	EEO Sci		June 3 1998	562				Sept. 14 1998	Oct. 1 1998	Oct. 14, 1998	255
To make certain technical corrections in laws relating to Native Americans, and for other purposes.	H.R.	4068	June 16 1998	Res		Sept. 18 1998	733				Sept. 23 1998	Oct. 1 1998	Oct. 14, 1998	256
Making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1999, and for other purposes.	H.J. Res.	135	Oct. 14 1998	App							Oct. 14 1998	Oct. 14 1998	Oct. 14, 1998	257
To amend the Shipping Act of 1984 to encourage competition in international shipping and growth of United States exports, and for other purposes.	S.	414	Mar. 10 1997		CST	July 31 1997	61		6117		Aug. 4 1998	April 21 1998	Oct. 14, 1998	258
To extend the date by which an automated entry-exit control system must be developed.	H.R.	4658	Oct. 1 1998	Jud							Oct. 1 1998	Oct. 8 1998	Oct. 15, 1998	259
Making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1999, and for other purposes.	H.J. Res.	136	Oct. 16 1998	App							Oct. 16 1998	Oct. 16 1998	Oct. 16, 1998	260
To authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1999, and for other purposes.	H.R.	3616	April 1 1998	NS		May 12 1998	532		10266		May 21 1998	June 25 1998	Oct. 17, 1998	261
Making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and for other purposes.	H.R. (S. 2132)	4103	June 22 1998	App		June 22 1998	591	200			June 24 1998	July 30 1998	Oct. 17, 1998	262
To provide for the orderly disposal of certain Federal lands in Clark County, Nevada, and to provide for the acquisition of environmentally sensitive lands in the State of Nevada.	H.R.	449	Jan. 20 1997	Res	ENR	April 23 1997	Aug. 25 1998	68	291	6170	April 23 1997	Oct. 2 1998	Oct. 19, 1998	263
To require Federal employees to use Federal travel charge cards for all payments of expenses of official Government travel, to amend title 31, United States Code, to establish requirements for prepayment audits of Federal agency transportation expenses, to authorize reimbursement of Federal agency employees for taxes incurred on travel or transportation reimbursements, and to authorize test programs for the payment of Federal employee travel expenses and relocation expenses.	H.R.	930	Mar. 5 1997	GRO	GA	Aug. 25 1998		295	5676		April 16 1997	Sept. 1 1998	Oct. 19, 1998	264
To amend the Great Lakes Fish and Wildlife Restoration Act of 1990 to provide for implementation of recommendations of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service contained in the Great Lakes Fishery Restoration Study Report.	H.R.	1481	April 29 1997	Res		Sept. 15 1998	715				Sept. 23 1998	Oct. 2 1998	Oct. 19, 1998	265
To amend chapter 89 of title 5, United States Code, to improve administration of sanctions against unfit health care providers under the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program, and for other purposes.	H.R.	1836	June 10 1997	GRO	GA	Nov. 4 1997	July 21 1998	374	257	24427	Nov. 4 1997	Sept. 30 1998	Oct. 19, 1998	266
To direct the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to exchange land and other assets with Big Sky Lumber Co..	H.R.	3381	Mar. 5 1998	Res Agr		Sept. 16 1998	723				Sept. 23 1998	Oct. 2 1998	Oct. 19, 1998	267
To require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the bicentennial of the Library of Congress.	H.R.	3790	May 5 1998	BFS	BHUA						Aug. 4 1998	Oct. 6 1998	Oct. 19, 1998	268
To authorize the use of receipts from the sale of the Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamps to promote additional stamp purchases.	H.R.	4248	July 16 1998	Res							Sept. 28 1998	Oct. 6 1998	Oct. 19, 1998	269

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To provide a process for identifying the functions of the Federal Government that are not inherently governmental functions, and for other purposes.	S. 314	Feb. 12 1997	GRO	GA		July 28 1998	269			Oct. 5 1998	July 30 1998	Oct. 19, 1998	270
To encourage the disclosure and exchange of information about computer processing problems, solutions, test practices and test results, and related matters in connection with the transition to the year 2000.	S. 2392	July 30 1998		Jud	.....	Sept. 17 1998	.....	.....			Oct. 1 1998	Sept. 28 1998	Oct. 19, 1998	271
To authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes.	H.R. 3694 (S. 2052)	April 21 1998	Int		May 5 1998	May 7 1998	508	185	8494		May 7 1998	June 26 1998	Oct. 20, 1998	272
Making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1999, and for other purposes.	H.J. Res. 137	Oct. 19 1998	App			.....	.....	.....			Oct. 19 1998	Oct. 20 1998	Oct. 20, 1998	273
To make technical and clarifying amendments to the National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997.	H.R. 4566	Sept. 15 1998	GRO WM			.....	.....	.....			Oct. 10 1998	Oct. 14 1998	Oct. 21, 1998	274
Making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and for other purposes.	H.R. 4112	June 23 1998	App		June 23 1998	.....	595	.....			June 25 1998	July 21 1998	Oct. 21, 1998	275
Making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and for other purposes.	H.R. 4194 (S. 2168)	July 8 1998	App		July 8 1998	.....	610	216			July 29 1998	July 30 1998	Oct. 21, 1998	276
Making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and for other purposes.	H.R. 4328 (S. 2455)	July 24 1998	App	LHR	July 24 1998		648	.....			July 30 1998	July 30 1998	Oct. 21, 1998	277
To amend titles VI and X of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to improve and expand charter schools.	H.R. 2616	Oct. 6 1997	EEO	LHR	Oct. 14 1997		321	.....	25039		Nov. 7 1997	Oct. 8 1998	Oct. 22, 1998	278
To provide for the expeditious completion of the acquisition of private mineral interests within the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument mandated by the 1982 Act that established the Monument, and for other purposes.	H.R. 1659	May 16 1997	Res		Sept. 11 1998	.....	704	.....			Sept. 23 1998	Oct. 7 1998	Oct. 23, 1998	279
To provide for a land exchange involving the Cape Cod National Seashore and to extend the authority for the Cape Cod National Seashore Advisory Commission.	H.R. 2411	Sept. 5 1997	Res	ENR	June 5 1998	Sept. 25 1998	568	392			June 22 1998	Oct. 7 1998	Oct. 26, 1998	280
To provide for a demonstration project in the Stanislaus National Forest, California, under which a private contractor will perform multiple resource management activities for that unit of the National Forest System.	H.R. 2886	Nov. 7 1997	Res	ENR	May 12 1998	Aug. 25 1998	527	292	8817		May 12 1998	Oct. 2 1998	Oct. 26, 1998	281

To authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey the administrative site for the Rogue River National Forest and use the proceeds for the construction or improvement of offices and support buildings for the Rogue River National Forest and the Bureau of Land Management.	H.R.	3796	May 5 1998	Res	ENR	June 3 1998	Aug. 25 1998	561	293		June 16 1998	Oct. 2 1998	Oct. 26, 1998	282
To extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Arkansas.	H.R.	4081	June 18 1998	Com		Sept. 25 1998	.....	748	.....		Sept. 28 1998	Oct. 7 1998	Oct. 26, 1998	283
To authorize the Government of India to establish a memorial to honor Mahatma Gandhi in the District of Columbia.	H.R.	4284	July 21 1998	Res	ENR	July 31 1998		666	.....		Sept. 15 1998	Oct. 8 1998	Oct. 26, 1998	284
To amend the Head Start Act, the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981, and the Community Services Block Grant Act to reauthorize and make improvements to those Acts, to establish demonstration projects that provide an opportunity for persons with limited means to accumulate assets, and for other purposes.	S.	2206	June 23 1998		LHR	.....	July 21 1998	.....	256		Sept. 14 1998	July 27 1998	Oct. 27, 1998	285
To amend the Clean Air Act to deny entry into the United States of certain foreign motor vehicles that do not comply with State laws governing motor vehicles emissions, and for other purposes.	H.R.	8	Jan. 7 1997	Com	EPW	July 20 1998	Sept. 28 1998	634	355		July 20 1998	Oct. 5 1998	Oct. 27, 1998	286
To amend the Armored Car Industry Reciprocity Act of 1993 to clarify certain requirements and to improve the flow of interstate commerce.	H.R.	624	Feb. 6 1997	Com	CST	Feb. 25 1997	Sept. 1 1998	6	297	2604	Feb. 26 1997	Oct. 9 1998	Oct. 27, 1998	287
To provide for a land exchange involving certain National Forest System lands within the Routt National Forest in the State of Colorado.	H.R.	1021	Mar. 11 1997	Res		May 5 1998	.....	506	.....	8818	May 12 1998	Oct. 9 1998	Oct. 27, 1998	288
To amend title 35, United States Code, to protect patent owners against the unauthorized sale of plant parts taken from plants illegally reproduced, and for other purposes.	H.R.	1197	Mar. 20 1997	Jud			.....	.....	.....		Oct. 9 1998	Oct. 15 1998	Oct. 27, 1998	289
To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance to the National Historic Trails Interpretive Center in Casper, Wyoming.	H.R.	2186	July 17 1997	Res	ENR	Mar. 24 1998	Sept. 9 1998	459	323	5126	Mar. 30 1998	Oct. 2 1998	Oct. 27, 1998	290
To amend the Organic Act of Guam for the purposes of clarifying the local judicial structure and the office of Attorney General.	H.R.	2370	July 31 1997	Res		Sept. 24 1998	.....	742	.....		Oct. 5 1998	Oct. 15 1998	Oct. 27, 1998	291
To establish an Office of Religious Persecution Monitoring, to provide for the imposition of sanctions against countries engaged in a pattern of religious persecution, and for other purposes.	H.R.	2431	Sept. 8 1997	IR WM Jud BFS R		April 1 1998 May 8 1998 May 8 1998	.....	480	.....	9314	May 14 1998	Oct. 9 1998	Oct. 27, 1998	292
To extend certain contracts between the Bureau of Reclamation and irrigation water contractors in Wyoming and Nebraska that receive water from Glendo Reservoir.	H.R.	2795	Nov. 4 1997	Res		June 25 1998	.....	604	.....		Sept. 15 1998	Oct. 7 1998	Oct. 27, 1998	293
To extend the Advisory Council on California Indian Policy to allow the Advisory Council to advise Congress on the implementation of the proposals and recommendations of the Advisory Council.	H.R.	3069	Nov. 13 1997	Res	IA	June 9 1998	Sept. 22 1998	571	342		June 16 1998	Oct. 9 1998	Oct. 27, 1998	294

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To authorize the construction of temperature control devices at Folsom Dam in California.	H.R. 4079	June 18 1998	Res	ENR	Sept. 15 1998	Sept. 25 1998	717	378			Sept. 15 1998	Oct. 7 1998	Oct. 27, 1998	295
To amend the Idaho Admission Act regarding the sale or lease of school land.	H.R. 4166	June 25 1998	Res	ENR	Sept. 11 1998	Sept. 25 1998	705	393			Sept. 15 1998	Oct. 7 1998	Oct. 27, 1998	296
To require the general application of the anti-trust laws to major league baseball, and for other purposes.	S. 53	Jan. 21 1997	Jud	Jud		Oct. 29 1997	.....	118			Oct. 7 1998	July 30 1998	Oct. 27, 1998	297
To amend the provisions of title 17, United States Code, with respect to the duration of copyright, and for other purposes.	S. 505 (H.R. 2589)	Mar. 20 1997	Jud	Jud	Mar. 18 1998		452	.....			Oct. 7 1998	Oct. 7 1998	Oct. 27, 1998	298
To designate a Federal building located in Florence, Alabama, as the "Justice John McKinley Federal Building".	S. 1298	Oct. 20 1997		EPW	.....	May 21 1998	.....	.....		10820	Oct. 9 1998	June 2 1998	Oct. 27, 1998	299
To provide that a person closely related to a judge of a court exercising judicial power under article III of the United States Constitution (other than the Supreme Court) may not be appointed as a judge of the same court, and for other purposes.	S. 1892	Mar. 31 1998		Jud	.....	May 21 1998	.....	.....			Oct. 7 1998	Oct. 6 1998	Oct. 27, 1998	300
To increase public awareness of the plight of victims of crime with developmental disabilities, to collect data to measure the magnitude of the problem, and to develop strategies to address the safety and justice needs of victims of crime with developmental disabilities.	S. 1976	April 23 1998	Jud	Jud		June 25 1998	.....	.....			Oct. 7 1998	July 13 1998	Oct. 27, 1998	301
To amend part Q of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to encourage the use of school resource officers.	S. 2235	June 25 1998	Jud EEO	Jud		Sept. 24 1998	.....	.....			Oct. 9 1998	Oct. 7 1998	Oct. 27, 1998	302
To encourage the development of a commercial space industry in the United States, and for other purposes.	H.R. 1702	May 22 1997	Sci	CST	Oct. 24 1997	June 2 1998	347	198	24427		Nov. 4 1997	July 30 1998	Oct. 28, 1998	303
To amend title 17, United States Code, to implement the World Intellectual Property Organization Copyright Treaty and Performances and Phonograms Treaty.	H.R. 2281 (S. 2037)	July 29 1997	Jud Com WM		May 22 1998 July 22 1998	.....	551	.....			Aug. 4 1998	Oct. 28, 1998	304	
To amend the High-Performance Computing Act of 1991 to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1999 and 2000 for the Next Generation Internet program, to require the Advisory Committee on High-Performance Computing and Communications, Information Technology, and the Next Generation Internet to monitor and give advice concerning the development and implementation of the Next Generation Internet program and report to the President and the Congress on its activities, and for other purposes.	H.R. 3332	Mar. 4 1998	Sci	CST			.....	.....			Sept. 14 1998	Oct. 8 1998	Oct. 28, 1998	305
To make technical amendments to clarify the provision of benefits for noncitizens, and to improve the provision of unemployment insurance, child support, and supplemental security income benefits.	H.R. 4558	Sept. 14 1998	WM Com		Sept. 22 1998	.....	735	.....			Sept. 23 1998	Oct. 8 1998	Oct. 28, 1998	306

To designate the Biscayne National Park Visitor Center as the Dante Fascell Visitor Center.	S.	2468	Sept. 14 1998	Res	ENR		Sept. 25 1998	.....	407			Oct. 10 1998	Oct. 7 1998	Oct. 29, 1998	307
To remove the restriction on the distribution of certain revenues from the Mineral Springs parcel to certain members of the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians.	H.R.	700	Feb. 12 1997	Res	IA	Sept. 3 1997	Sept. 28 1998	241	349	18012		Sept. 8 1997	Oct. 12 1998	Oct. 30, 1998	308
To authorize appropriations for the National Institute of Standards and Technology for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, and for other purposes.	H.R.	1274	April 10 1997	Sci	CST	April 21 1997		64	.....	6248		April 24 1997	Oct. 9 1998	Oct. 30, 1998	309
To amend chapter 53 of title 31, United States Code, to require the development and implementation by the Secretary of the Treasury of a national money laundering and related financial crimes strategy to combat money laundering and related financial crimes, and for other purposes.	H.R.	1756	June 3 1997	BFS Jud		June 25 1998	.....	608	.....			Oct. 5 1998	Oct. 15 1998	Oct. 30, 1998	310
To require that the Office of Personnel Management submit proposed legislation under which group universal life insurance and group variable universal life insurance would be available under chapter 87 of title 5, United States Code, and for other purposes.	H.R.	2675	Oct. 21 1997	GRO	GA	Nov. 4 1997	Sept. 21 1998	373	337	24427		Nov. 4 1997	Oct. 5 1998	Oct. 30, 1998	311
To amend the Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act of 1994 to prohibit the sale, importation, and exportation of products labeled as containing substances derived from rhinoceros or tiger.	H.R.	2807	Nov. 4 1997	Res	EPW	April 28 1998		495	.....	6939		April 28 1998	Oct. 13 1998	Oct. 30, 1998	312
To deem the activities of the Miccosukee Tribe on the Tamiami Indian Reservation to be consistent with the purposes of the Everglades National Park, and for other purposes.	H.R.	3055	Nov. 13 1997	Res TI		Sept. 11 1998	.....	708	.....			Oct. 12 1998	Oct. 15 1998	Oct. 30, 1998	313
To amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to violent sex crimes against children, and for other purposes.	H.R.	3494	Mar. 18 1998	Jud	Jud	June 3 1998	Sept. 17 1998	557	.....	12075		June 11 1998	Oct. 9 1998	Oct. 30, 1998	314
To amend title 28, United States Code, with respect to the use of alternative dispute resolution processes in United States district courts, and for other purposes.	H.R.	3528	Mar. 23 1998	Jud	Jud	April 21 1998	July 30 1998	487	.....	6198		April 21 1998	Oct. 7 1998	Oct. 30, 1998	315
To authorize prepayment of amounts due under a water reclamation project contract for the Canadian River Project, Texas.	H.R.	3687	April 1 1998	Res	ENR		Sept. 25 1998	.....		410		Aug. 7 1998	Oct. 14 1998	Oct. 30, 1998	316
To provide for an exchange of lands located near Gustavus, Alaska, and for other purposes.	H.R.	3903	May 19 1998	Res Com		Sept. 11 1998	.....	706	.....			Sept. 15 1998	Oct. 2 1998	Oct. 30, 1998	317
To amend chapter 47 of title 18, United States Code, relating to identity fraud, and for other purposes.	H.R.	4151	June 25 1998	Jud				.....	.....			Oct. 7 1998	Oct. 14 1998	Oct. 30, 1998	318
To establish a cultural and training program for disadvantaged individuals from Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland.	H.R.	4293	July 21 1998	Jud IR				.....	.....			Oct. 7 1998	Oct. 8 1998	Oct. 30, 1998	319
To provide a comprehensive program of support for victims of torture.	H.R.	4309	July 22 1998	IR Com		Sept. 14 1998	.....	709	.....			Sept. 14 1998	Oct. 8 1998	Oct. 30, 1998	320
To transfer administrative jurisdiction over certain Federal lands located within or adjacent to the Rogue River National Forest and to clarify the authority of the Bureau of Land Management to sell and exchange other Federal lands in Oregon.	H.R.	4326	July 24 1998	Res		Oct. 12 1998	810			Oct. 12 1998	Oct. 14 1998	Oct. 30, 1998	321

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To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide financial assistance to the State of Maryland for a pilot program to develop measures to eradicate or control nutria and restore marshland damaged by nutria.	H.R. 4337	July 27 1998	Res					Sept. 28 1998	Oct. 9 1998	Oct. 30, 1998	322
To amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to provide rewards for information leading to the arrest or conviction of any individual for the commission of an act, or conspiracy to act, of international terrorism, narcotics related offenses, or for serious violations of international humanitarian law relating to the Former Yugoslavia.	H.R. 4660	Oct. 1 1998	IR			.....	.....	.....			Oct. 8 1998	Oct. 14 1998	Oct. 30, 1998	323
To amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to clarify the circumstances in which a substance is considered to be a pesticide chemical for purposes of such Act, and for other purposes.	H.R. 4679	Oct. 2 1998	Com			.....	.....	.....			Oct. 7 1998	Oct. 9 1998	Oct. 30, 1998	324
To establish the National Cave and Karst Research Institute in the State of New Mexico, and for other purposes.	S. 231	Jan. 29 1997	Res	ENR	April 28 1998	June 26 1997	496	37		14226	Oct. 10 1998	July 11 1997	Oct. 30, 1998	325
To dispose of certain Federal properties located in Dutch John, Utah, to assist the local government in the interim delivery of basic services to the Dutch John community, and for other purposes.	S. 890	June 12 1997		ENR	.....	July 27 1998	.....	264			Oct. 8 1998	Oct. 2 1998	Oct. 30, 1998	326
To amend the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 to allow national park units that cannot charge an entrance or admission fee to retain other fees and charges.	S. 1333	Oct. 29 1997	Res	ENR		Sept. 8 1998	.....	311			Oct. 10 1998	Oct. 2 1998	Oct. 30, 1998	327
To amend the Fish and Wildlife Improvement Act of 1978 to enable the Secretary of the Interior to more effectively use the proceeds of sales of certain items.	S. 2094	May 20 1998	Res	EPW		July 31 1998	.....	285			Oct. 9 1998	Sept. 11 1998	Oct. 30, 1998	328
To expand the boundaries of Arches National Park, Utah, to include portions of certain drainages that are under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management, and to include a portion of Fish Seep Draw owned by the State of Utah, and for other purposes.	S. 2106	May 21 1998		ENR	.....	Sept. 14 1998	.....	330			Oct. 10 1998	Oct. 2 1998	Oct. 30, 1998	329
To implement the provisions of the Trade-mark Law Treaty.	S. 2193 (H.R. 1661)	June 18 1998	Jud	Jud	July 21 1997	July 16 1998	194	.....			Oct. 9 1998	Sept. 17 1998	Oct. 30, 1998	330
To require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the sesquicentennial of the birth of Thomas Alva Edison, to redesign the half dollar circulating coin for 1997 to commemorate Thomas Edison, and for other purposes.	H.R. 678	Feb. 11 1997	BFS			.....	.....	.....			Sept. 9 1998	Oct. 7 1998	Oct. 31, 1998	331
To amend the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act.	H.R. 1853	June 10 1997	EEO	LHR	July 14 1997		177	.....	15240	12299	July 22 1997	June 12 1998	Oct. 31, 1998	332
To amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to make certain clarifications to the land bank protection provisions, and for other purposes.	H.R. 2000	June 19 1997	Res		Aug. 5 1998	.....	677	.....			Sept. 23 1998	Oct. 7 1998	Oct. 31, 1998	333

To provide for a change in the exemption from the child labor provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 for minors between 16 and 18 years of age who engage in the operation of automobiles and trucks.	H.R.	2327	July 31 1997	EEO						Sept. 28 1998	Oct. 12 1998	Oct. 31, 1998	334
To provide for the exchange of certain lands within the State of Utah.	H.R.	3830	May 12 1998	Res	ENR	June 24 1998	Sept. 14 1998	598	331	June 24 1998	Oct. 9 1998	Oct. 31, 1998	335
To amend the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 to make improvements to the special supplemental nutrition program for women, infants, and children and to extend the authority of that program through fiscal year 2003.	H.R. (S. 2286)	3874	May 14 1998	EEO		July 20 1998		633	243	July 20 1998	Oct. 31, 1998	336	
To allow Haskell Indian Nations University and the Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute each to conduct a demonstration project to test the feasibility and desirability of new personnel management policies and procedures, and for other purposes.	H.R.	4259	July 16 1998	EEO GRO		Sept. 9 1998		700		Oct. 6 1998	Oct. 14 1998	Oct. 31, 1998	337
To establish a program to support a transition to democracy in Iraq.	H.R.	4655	Sept. 29 1998	IR						Oct. 5 1998	Oct. 7 1998	Oct. 31, 1998	338
To amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that consideration may not be denied to preference eligibles applying for certain positions in the competitive service, and for other purposes.	S.	1021	July 16 1997				Sept. 21 1998		340	Oct. 8 1998	Oct. 5 1998	Oct. 31, 1998	339
To amend the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend certain programs with respect to women's health research and prevention activities at the National Institutes of Health and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.	S.	1722	Mar. 6 1998	Com	LHR					Oct. 13 1998	Oct. 12 1998	Oct. 31, 1998	340
To establish a commission, in honor of the 150th Anniversary of the Seneca Falls Convention, to further protect sites of importance in the historic efforts to secure equal rights for women.	S.	2285	July 10 1998	Res	ENR		Sept. 25 1998		396	Oct. 10 1998	Oct. 7 1998	Oct. 31, 1998	341
To establish the Adams National Historical Park in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for other purposes.	S.	2240	June 26 1998	Res	ENR		Sept. 25 1998		404	Oct. 10 1998	Oct. 7 1998	Nov. 2, 1998	342
To amend the Act which established the Frederick Law Olmsted National Historic Site, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, by modifying the boundary and for other purposes.	S.	2246	June 26 1998	Res	ENR		Sept. 25 1998		405	Oct. 10 1998	Oct. 7 1998	Nov. 2, 1998	343
Prohibiting the conveyance of Woodland Lake Park tract in Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest in the State of Arizona unless the conveyance is made to the town of Pinetop-Lakeside or authorized by Act of Congress.	S.	2413	July 31 1998		ENR		Oct. 6 1998		384	Oct. 10 1998	Oct. 9 1998	Nov. 2, 1998	344
To amend the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 to extend the legislative authority for the Black Patriots Foundation to establish a commemorative work.	S.	2427	Aug. 31 1998	Res	ENR					Oct. 10 1998	Oct. 8 1998	Nov. 2, 1998	345
To direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey title to the Tunnison Lab Hagerman Field Station in Gooding County, Idaho, to the University of Idaho.	S.	2505	Sept. 21 1998	Res	EPW		Sept. 28 1998		354	Oct. 9 1998	Oct. 5 1998	Nov. 2, 1998	346
To amend the Fair Credit Reporting Act with respect to furnishing and using consumer reports for employment purposes.	S.	2561	Oct. 6 1998							Oct. 9 1998	Oct. 6 1998	Nov. 2, 1998	347

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Granting the consent of Congress to the Potomac Highlands Airport Authority Compact entered into between the States of Maryland and West Virginia.	S.J. Res.	51	June 10 1998	Jud	Jud	July 30 1998			Oct. 9 1998	July 31 1998	Nov. 2, 1998	348
Recognizing the accomplishments of Inspectors General since their creation in 1978 in preventing and detecting waste, fraud, abuse, and mismanagement, and in promoting economy, efficiency, and effectiveness in the Federal Government.	S.J. Res.	58	Oct. 1 1998	GRO		.....	.....	.....	.....			Oct. 10 1998	Oct. 1 1998	Nov. 2, 1998	349
Appointing the day for the convening of the first session of the One Hundred Sixth Congress.	H.J. Res.	138	Oct. 20 1998			.....	.....	.....	.....			Oct. 20 1998	Oct. 21 1998	Nov. 3, 1998	350
To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain facilities of the Minidoka project to the Burley Irrigation District, and for other purposes.	S.	538	April 9 1997		ENR	.....	Nov. 3 1997	.....	131			Oct. 12 1998	June 25 1998	Nov. 3, 1998	351
To authorize the construction of the Fall River Water Users District Rural Water System and authorize financial assistance to the Fall River Water Users District, a non-profit corporation, in the planning and construction of the water supply system, and for other purposes.	S.	744	May 14 1997	Res	ENR		Sept. 25 1998	.....	369			Oct. 12 1998	Oct. 7 1998	Nov. 3, 1998	352
To amend the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to limit the conduct of securities class actions under State law, and for other purposes.	S. (H.R. 1689)	1260	Oct. 7 1997	Com	BHUA	July 21 1998	May 4 1998	640	182	8988		July 22 1998	May 13 1998	Nov. 3, 1998	353
To clarify without substantive change laws related to Patriotic and National Observances, Ceremonies, and Organizations and to improve the United States Code.	S.	2524	Sept. 28 1998	Jud	Jud		Oct. 1 1998	.....	.....			Oct. 12 1998	Oct. 8 1998	Nov. 3, 1998	354
To authorize the Automobile National Heritage Area.	H.R.	3910	May 20 1998	Res			.....	.....	.....			Oct. 10 1998	Oct. 14 1998	Nov. 6, 1998	355
To establish the Little Rock Central High School National Historic Site in the State of Arkansas, and for other purposes.	S.	2232	June 25 1998	Res	ENR		Sept. 8 1998	.....	307			Oct. 8 1998	Oct. 2 1998	Nov. 6, 1998	356
To amend the Controlled Substances Import and Export Act to place limitations on controlled substances brought into the United States from Mexico.	H.R.	3633	April 1 1998	Jud Com		July 16 1998	.....	629	.....			Aug. 3 1998	Oct. 20 1998	Nov. 10, 1998	357
To authorize funds for the payment of salaries and expenses of the Patent and Trademark Office, and for other purposes.	H.R.	3723	April 23 1998	Jud	Jud	May 12 1998		528	.....	8826		May 12 1998	Oct. 14 1998	Nov. 10, 1998	358
To require the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to improve the access for persons with disabilities to outdoor recreational opportunities made available to the public.	H.R.	4501	Aug. 6 1998	Res Agr			.....	.....	.....			Oct. 14 1998	Oct. 20 1998	Nov. 10, 1998	359
To extend into fiscal year 1999 the visa processing period for diversity applicants whose visa processing was suspended during fiscal year 1998 due to embassy bombings.	H.R.	4821	Oct. 13 1998	Jud			.....	.....	.....			Oct. 15 1998	Oct. 21 1998	Nov. 10, 1998	360
To amend the Native American Programs Act of 1974 to extend certain authorizations, and for other purposes.	S.	459	Mar. 18 1997	Res EEO	IA	May 21 1997	.....	.....	20	20603		Oct. 9 1998	Sept. 29 1997	Nov. 10, 1998	361
To eliminate unnecessary and wasteful Federal reports.	S.	1364	Nov. 4 1997	GRO	GA	May 11 1998	.....	.....	187	11838		Oct. 13 1998	June 10 1998	Nov. 10, 1998	362

To amend the Weir Farm National Historic Site Establishment Act of 1990 to authorize the acquisition of additional acreage for the historic site to permit the development of visitor and administrative facilities and to authorize the appropriation of additional amounts for the acquisition of real and personal property, and for other purposes.	S.	1718	Mar. 5 1998	Res	ENR		Sept. 14 1998	.....	328			Oct. 10 1998	Oct. 2 1998	Nov. 10, 1998	363
To provide for the acquisition of lands formerly occupied by the Franklin D. Roosevelt family at Hyde Park, New York, and for other purposes.	S.	2241	June 26 1998	Res	ENR		Sept. 25 1998	.....	400			Oct. 15 1998	Oct. 7 1998	Nov. 10, 1998	364
To amend the boundaries of Grant-Kohrs Ranch National Historic Site in the State of Montana.	S.	2272	July 8 1998	Res	ENR		Sept. 9 1998	.....	324			Oct. 15 1998	Oct. 2 1998	Nov. 10, 1998	365
To amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, to strengthen prohibitions on international bribery and other corrupt practices, and for other purposes.	S. (H.R. 4353)	2375	July 30 1998	Com		Oct. 8 1998	.....	802	277			Oct. 9 1998	July 31 1998	Nov. 10, 1998	366
To protect the sanctity of contracts and leases entered into by surface patent holders with respect to coalbed methane gas.	S.	2500	Sept. 18 1998	Res	ENR		Sept. 25 1998	.....	408			Oct. 15 1998	Oct. 9 1998	Nov. 10, 1998	367
To provide a cost-of-living adjustment in rates of compensation paid to veterans with service-connected disabilities, to make various improvements in education, housing, and cemetery programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.	H.R. (S. 2273)	4110	June 23 1998	VA		July 15 1998	Sept. 21 1998	627	341			Aug. 3 1998	Sept. 30 1998	Nov. 11, 1998	368
To provide for compassionate payments with regard to individuals with blood-clotting disorders, such as hemophilia, who contracted human immunodeficiency virus due to contaminated blood products, and for other purposes.	H.R.	1023	Mar. 11 1997	Jud Com WM	LHR	Mar. 25 1998 May 7 1998	Oct. 7 1998	465	.....	9669		May 19 1998	Oct. 21 1998	Nov. 12, 1998	369
To amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for the mandatory testing for serious transmissible diseases of incarcerated persons whose bodily fluids come into contact with corrections personnel and notice to those personnel of the results of the tests, and for other purposes.	H.R.	2070	June 25 1997	Jud	Jud	July 31 1998		665	.....			Aug. 3 1998	Oct. 20 1998	Nov. 12, 1998	370
To authorize and request the President to award the congressional Medal of Honor posthumously to Theodore Roosevelt for his gallant and heroic actions in the attack on San Juan Heights, Cuba, during the Spanish-American War.	H.R.	2263	July 25 1997	NS			.....	.....	.....			Oct. 8 1998	Oct. 21 1998	Nov. 12, 1998	371
To direct the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to conduct a feasibility study and construct a project to reclaim the Salton Sea.	H.R.	3267	Feb. 25 1998	Res TI		July 14 1998	.....	621	.....			July 15 1998	Oct. 13 1998	Nov. 12, 1998	372
To make available to the Ukrainian Museum and Archives the USIA television program "Window on America".	H.R.	4083	June 18 1998	IR	FR			.....	.....			Sept. 14 1998	Oct. 21 1998	Nov. 12, 1998	373
To amend title 28, United States Code, with respect to the enforcement of child custody and visitation orders.	H.R.	4164	June 25 1998	Jud	Jud			.....	.....			July 14 1998	Oct. 21 1998	Nov. 12, 1998	374
To amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to require the Secretary of State to submit an annual report to Congress concerning diplomatic immunity.	S.	759	May 16 1997	IR	FR		Nov. 4 1997	25446		Oct. 14 1998	Nov. 8 1997	Nov. 12, 1998	375

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To modify the boundaries of the Bandelier National Monument to include the lands within the headwaters of the Upper Alamo Watershed which drain into the Monument and which are not currently within the jurisdiction of a Federal land management agency, to authorize purchase or donation of those lands, and for other purposes.	S. 1132	July 31 1997	Res	ENR		April 29 1998	178			Oct. 20 1998	July 17 1998	Nov. 12, 1998	376
Granting the consent and approval of Congress to an interstate forest fire protection compact.	S. 1134	July 31 1997	Jud	Jud		July 16 1998	.....	.....			Oct. 15 1998	July 30 1998	Nov. 12, 1998	377
To establish the Lower East Side Tenement National Historic Site, and for other purposes.	S. 1408	Nov. 7 1997	Res	ENR		Sept. 8 1998	.....	303			Oct. 10 1998	Oct. 2 1998	Nov. 12, 1998	378
To amend the Food Stamp Act of 1977 to require food stamp State agencies to take certain actions to ensure that food stamp coupons are not issued for deceased individuals, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to conduct a study of options for the design, development, implementation, and operation of a national database to track participation in Federal means-tested public assistance programs, and for other purposes.	S. 1733	Mar. 10 1998		Agr	.....		.....	.....			Oct. 15 1998	Oct. 14 1998	Nov. 12, 1998	379
To eliminate restrictions on the acquisition of certain land contiguous to Hawaii Volcanoes National Park.	S. 2129	June 2 1998	Res	ENR		Sept. 8 1998	.....	313			Oct. 14 1998	Oct. 2 1998	Nov. 12, 1998	380
Granting the consent of Congress to the Pacific Northwest Emergency Management Arrangement.	S.J. Res. 35	July 21 1997	Jud	Jud		July 16 1998	.....	.....			Oct. 15 1998	July 31 1998	Nov. 12, 1998	381
To amend the Foreign Service Act of 1980 to provide that the annuities of certain special agents and security personnel of the Department of State be computed in the same way as applies generally with respect to Federal law enforcement officers, and for other purposes.	H.R. 633	Feb. 6 1997	IR GRO		Sept. 28 1998	.....	755	.....			Oct. 5 1998	Oct. 20 1998	Nov. 13, 1998	382
To authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for the Coast Guard, and for other purposes.	H.R. (S. 880) 2204	July 21 1997	TI	CST	July 31 1997	Sept. 2 1997	236	67	22348		Oct. 21 1997	Oct. 12 1998	Nov. 13, 1998	383
To approve a governing international fishery agreement between the United States and the Republic of Poland.	H.R. 3461	Mar. 12 1998	Res			.....	.....	.....			Oct. 12 1998	Oct. 21 1998	Nov. 13, 1998	384
To support sustainable and broad-based agricultural and rural development in sub-Saharan Africa, and for other purposes.	H.R. 4283	July 21 1998	IR Agr		Aug. 6 1998	.....	681	.....			Sept. 28 1998	Oct. 20 1998	Nov. 13, 1998	385
To throttle criminal use of guns	S. 191	Jan. 22 1997	Jud	Jud		Nov. 6 1997	.....	.....		26444	Oct. 9 1998	Nov. 13 1997	Nov. 13, 1998	386
To provide for the disposition of certain funds appropriated to pay judgment in favor of the Mississippi Sioux Indians, and for other purposes.	S. 391	Mar. 4 1997		IA	.....	Oct. 7 1998	.....	379			Oct. 10 1998	Oct. 9 1998	Nov. 13, 1998	387
To extend energy conservation programs under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act through September 30, 2002.	S. (H.R. 4017) 417	Mar. 10 1997	Com	ENR	Sept. 17 1998	June 11 1997	727	25		13265	Sept. 28 1998	June 27 1997	Nov. 13, 1998	388

To establish a commission to assist in commemoration of the centennial of powered flight and the achievements of the Wright brothers.	S.	1397	Nov. 7 1997		GA	.....	Aug. 25 1998	.....	294			Oct. 14 1998	Sept. 22 1998	Nov. 13, 1998	389
To provide financial assistance for higher education to the dependents of Federal, State, and local public safety officers who are killed or permanently and totally disabled as the result of a traumatic injury sustained in the line of duty.	S.	1525 (H.R. 3046)	Nov. 12 1997	Jud	Jud		May 7 1998	.....	.....	9400		Oct. 10 1998	May 15 1998	Nov. 13, 1998	390
To provide for improved management and increased accountability for certain National Park Service programs, and for other purposes.	S.	1693	Feb. 27 1998	Res	ENR	Oct. 2 1998	June 5 1998	767	202	12239		Oct. 13 1998	June 11 1998	Nov. 13, 1998	391
To amend the Public Health Service Act to consolidate and reauthorize health professions and minority and disadvantaged health professions and disadvantaged health education programs, and for other purposes.	S.	1754	Mar. 12 1998		LHR	.....	June 23 1998	.....	220			Oct. 13 1998	July 31 1998	Nov. 13, 1998	392
To reauthorize and make reforms to programs authorized by the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965 and the Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965.	S.	2364	July 28 1998		EPW	.....	Sept. 14 1998	.....	332			Oct. 13 1998	Oct. 12 1998	Nov. 13, 1998	393
To support programs of grants to States to address the assistive technology needs of individuals with disabilities, and for other purposes.	S.	2432	Sept. 2 1998		LHR	.....	Sept. 15 1998	.....	334			Oct. 9 1998	Oct. 5 1998	Nov. 13, 1998	394

TABLE OF COMMITTEE ABBREVIATIONS

Agri .....Agriculture	Bud .....Budget	EPW .....Environment and Public Works	Int .....Intelligence	Res .....Resources
ANF .....Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry	Com .....Commerce	Fin .....Finance	IR .....International Relations	Sci .....Science
App .....Appropriations	CST .....Commerce, Science, and Transportation	FR .....Foreign Relations	Jud .....Judiciary	SB .....Small Business
AS .....Armed Services	EEO .....Economic and Educational Opportunities	GA .....Governmental Affairs	LHR .....Labor and Human Resources	TI .....Transportation and Infrastructure
BFS .....Banking and Financial Services	ENR .....Energy and Natural Resources	HO .....House Oversight	NS .....National Security	VA .....Veterans' Affairs
BHUA .....Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs		GRO .....Government Reform and Oversight	R .....Rules	WM .....Ways and Means
		IA .....Indian Affairs	RAdm .....Rules and Administration	

NOTE.—The bill in parentheses is a companion measure.

